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THE SYNOD OF NEW YORK

A. D. 1913

The Synod of New York, in accordance with adjournment, met in the Second Church, Auburn, N. Y., on Tuesday, October 21st, 1913, at half past seven o'clock P. M. and was opened with a sermon by the Moderator, Rev. Henry Ward, D.D., of the Presbytery of Buffalo, from Matthew 9:13 "I will have mercy and not sacrifice."

After the sermon, the Synod was constituted with prayer.

The Roll was called and the following Ministers and Ruling Elders were found to be present as duly appointed delegates from the Presbyteries:

ROLL OF THE SYNOD

I. PRESBYTERY OF ALBANY

Ministers	*Ruling Elders*
Lansing Van Auken, M.D.,	Hon. Jesse S. L'Amoreaux,
Josiah Still,	Cortland T. Maher, Jr.,
William H. Stubblebine, Ph.D.,	Jesse S. Mott,
George T. Lemmon,	George G. Quick,
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II. BINGHAMTON

Carl W. Scovel, (2),	James M. Hastings,
Wilson A. Eisenhart,	John D. Davidson.
H. Lewis Smith.	

III. BROOKLYN

Charles H. Schwarzbach,
Arthur F. Kurtz,
Andrew Magill,
T. C. Roberts Horsfield,
Hilton R. Campbell.

C. P. Oakley,
C. J. Bergen,
Charles B. Pearson,
C. W. Seymour,
W. A. Blauvelt,
Benjamin A. Everitt,
George P. Conard.

IV. BUFFALO

Henry Ward, D.D.,
W. Closson McGarvey,
George B. McCulloch.

Pliny H. Hayes, M.D., (2)
Walter W. Blakeley,
Clarence Newell.

V. CAYUGA

Allan M. Dulles, D.D.,
John A. MacIntosh,
Asa S. Fiske, D.D.

Benedict W. Foster,
Frederick B. Wills,
J. J. Mallory, (2).

VI. CHAMPLAIN

Samuel R. Bigger.

VII. CHEMUNG

William L. Sawtelle,
James W. White.

William E. Hamilton,
George M. Welles.

VIII. CHILE

IX. COLUMBIA

George C. Yeisley, D.D.,
James L. Harrington.

Francis L. Dodge.

X. EASTERN PERSIA

XI. GENESEE

Samuel Riddagh,
Joseph Sunter.

Edwin M. Crocker (2),
Frederick B. Gleason.

XII. GENEVA

John S. Niles,
H. Bradley Sayre.
E. A. Perry, (2),
Thomas E. Rippey.

XIII. HUDSON

Robert Rogers,
Joseph McC. Leiper,
Alvin R. Pennell,
E. Van Dyke Wight, D.D
Winthrop S. Gilman,
J. Harvey Hanford,
Edwin T. Hanford.

XIV. LONG ISLAND

George R. Garretson,
James M. Denton,
Horace H. Leavitt.
John H. Lehr,
Robert W. Wells,
Charles W. Rackett, Jr.

XV. LYONS

Luther A. Ostrander, D.D.,
Francis R. Wade.

XVI. NASSAU

James N. Grace, (2),
Archibald M. Currie, Ph. D.,
Joseph H. Randall,
Edward S. Ireland.

XVII. NEW YORK

H. M. MacCracken, D.D., LL.D.,
Edward M. Deems, D.D.,
George S. Webster, D.D.,
David G. Wylie, D.D., LL.D.,
John R. Mackay, D.D.,
William Adams Brown, D.D. (2),
Simeon B. Dunn, D.D.,
Harold S. Rambo,
Arthur H. Limouze.
Thomas A. Hay,
John W. Stephens,
John A. Park,
Ray C. Tillinghast,
Robert Ferguson,
Arthur W. Bouton,
A. Gardiner Benedict, (2),
Nelson S. Easton.

XVIII. NIAGARA

George C. Noetling,
Godfrey Chobot.
William Towsend,
Arthur Jackling, (2),
Frank H Brown.

XIX. NORTH LAOS

Marion B. Palmer,

XX. NORTH RIVER

Alexander Alison, D.D.,
Irving Maxwell.
Henry G. Parry,
Robert E. Morison

XXI. OTSEGO

William D. Jones,
Frederick H. Watkins,
Alfred J. Sadler.
Alfred H. Ives.

XXII. PORTO RICO

XXIII. ROCHESTER

Charles G. Frost, D.D.,
Arthur B. Herr,
Paul M. Strayer,
William W Stoddart,
Henry C. Millard,
Walter B. Jorris.
William A. Stevens,
Francis S. Little,
J. Newton McPherson,
Charles H. Mason.

XXIV. ST. LAWRENCE

William Excell,
Frank B. Cowan,
Henry S. Huntington, Jr.
Edward B. Sterling,
J. Edwin Hill.

XXV. SIAM

XXVI. STEUBEN

S. Horace Beshgetour, Ph.D.,
Hamilton B. Williams,
Walter S. Davison.
Edgar W. Kelsey,
Lawson Paul,
J. Leonard Waugh.

XXVII. SYRACUSE

Frederick J. Sauber, D.D., (2),
Silas E. Persons, D.D., (2),
J. Paul Shelley,
Albert C. Fulton, S.T.D.,
Charles Waterbury,
Frank E. Clark.

XXVIII. TROY

Arthur H. Allen,
George Fairlee, D.D.,
Adelbert P. Higley,
Charles E. MacGinness.
William H. Hollister, Jr.

XXIX. UTICA

J. Howard Hobbs, D.D.,
Philip H. Cole, D.D.,
Charles M. Dodge,
Calvin H. French,
Arthur J. Wyman.
Frederick M. Orton
DeWitt C. Hurd.

XXX. WESTCHESTER

Benjamin H. Everitt,
Anthony N. Petersen,
Clarence W. Dunham,
Harry B. Roberts.
George W. Banks,
Oscar W. Sloat,
Ralph E. Prime, LL.D.,
Henry L. St. John.

Rev. E. Van Dyke Wight, D.D., of the Presbytery of Hudson was chosen Moderator and was duly inducted into office.

Rev. George B. McCulloch of the Presbytery of Buffalo and Rev. Frederick H. Watkins of the Presbytery of Otsego were chosen Temporary Clerks.

Rev. Allan Macy Dulles, D.D., chairman of the Committee of Arrangements extended a hearty welcome to the members of the Synod and recommended the adoption of the printed program as the order of its meetings. It was so ordered.

Synod then adjourned until nine o'clock Wednesday morning. Closed with prayer.

Wednesday, October 22, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Synod met and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The Roll was called and delegates not previously enrolled, marked (2) were reported present.

The Moderator announced the appointment of Hon. Jesse S. L'Amoreaux as vice-Moderator and the following Standing Committees.

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Bills and Overtures:

Ministers—Henry Ward, J. Howard Hobbs, George C. Yeisley, William L. Sawtelle, Adelbert P. Higley, Albert C. Fulton, John S. Niles, Horace H. Leavitt.

Elders—Ralph E. Prime, Arthur W. Bouton, William Townsend, Alfred H. Ives, Edward B. Sterling, J. Leonard Waugh, Francis S. Little.

2. Judicial Business:

Ministers—John R. Mackay, Philip H. Cole, Henry M. McCracken, Clarence W. Dunham, Archibald M. Currie, Francis R. Wade, Alvin R. Pennell, William Excell, Andrew Magill.

Elders—Chester A. Nash, John D. Davidson, Charles B. Pearson, Walter W. Blakely, Benedict W. Foster, Francis L. Dodge, Frederic B. Gleason, William A. Stevens.

3. Minutes of the General Assembly:

Ministers—David G. Wylie, Frank B. Cowan, Charles M. Dodge,

Elders—Orson W. Sloat, James M. Hastings.

4. Finance:

Elders—William H. Hollister, Jr., Edwin T. Hanford, George M. Welles, Thomas E. Rippey, John H. Lehr.

5. Leave of Absence:

Ministers—William H. Stubblebine, Henry C. Millard, Samuel Riddagh, Robert Rogers, Wilson A. Eisenhart.

Elders—Jesse S. Mott, W. A. Blauvelt, Clarence Newell, William E. Hamilton.

6. Nomination of Woman's Synodical Committee:

Ministers—Alexander Alison, Luther A. Ostrander, Godfrey Chobot, William D. Jones, Arthur B. Herr.

Elders—Winthrop S. Gilman, Joseph H. Randall, John A. Park, Robert E. Morison.

7. Nomination of the Trustees of Synod:

Ministers—George S. Webster, John A. McIntosh, Josiah Still, H. Bradley Sayre, Joseph McC. Leiper.

Elder—J. Harvey Hanford, George G. Quick, DeWitt C. Hurd, George W. Banks.

8. Committee to Collate Reports on the Records of Presbyteries:

Ministers—Charles N. Frost, W. Closson McGarvey, Hilton R. Campbell.

Elders—Frederick M. Orton, Frank E. Clarke.

ON THE RECORDS OF THE PRESBYTERIES.

1. Albany: *Ministers*—Anthony N. Petersen, Harry B. Roberts; *Elder*—Frederick M. Orton.

2. Binghamton: *Ministers*—George T. Lemmon, Archibald M. Currie; *Elder*—Cortland T. Maher, Jr.

3. Brooklyn—*Ministers*—Alfred J. Sadler, Wilbur A. Wagar; *Elder*—Alfred H. Ives.

4 Buffalo: *Ministers*—Charles H. Schwarzbach, Hilton R. Campbell; *Elder*—George G. Quick.

5. Cayuga: *Ministers*—Charles F. Shaw, T. C. Roberts Horsfield; *Elder*—James M. Hastings.

6. Champlain: *Ministers*—H. Bradley Sayre, Arthur F. Kurtz; *Elder*—C. P. Oakley.

7. Chemung: *Ministers*—Asa S. Fiske, Charles M. Dodge; *Elder*—Benjamin A. Everitt.

8. Chile: (No records).

9. Columbia: *Ministers*—Joseph McC. Leiper, Joseph Sunter; *Elder*—Thomas E. Rippey.

10. Eastern Persia: (No records).

11. Genesee: *Ministers*—James M. Denton, Harold S. Rambo; *Elder*—Robert W. Wells.

12. Geneva: *Ministers*—Francis R. Wade, Josiah Still; *Elder*—Charles B. Pearson.

13. Hudson: *Ministers*—Philip H. Cole, L. A. Ostrander; *Elder*—Chester A. Nash.

14. Long Island: *Ministers*—Arthur H. Allen, J. Paul Shelley; *Elder*—Orson W. Sloat.

15. Lyons: *Ministers*—John S. Niles, Frederick H. Watkins; *Elder*—Charles Waterbury.

16. Nassau: *Ministers*—William Excell, Hamilton B. Williams; *Elder*—Lawson Paul.

17. New York: *Ministers*—James L. Harrington, Alvin R. Pennell; *Elder*—Francis L. Dodge.

18. Niagara: *Ministers*—Frank B. Cowan, Walter S. Davison; *Elder*—Frank E. Clarke.

19. North Laos: (No records).

20. North River: *Ministers*—S. Horace Beshgetour, Henry C. Millard; *Elder*—Edgar W. Kelsey.

21. Otsego: *Ministers*—Henry S. Huntington, Andrew Magill; *Elder*—C. J. Bergen.

22. Porto Rico: *Ministers*—Lansing Van Auken, Charles E. MacGuiness; *Elder*—Jesse S. Mott.

23. Rochester: *Ministers*—George Fairlee, James W. White; *Elder*—George W. Banks.

24. St. Lawrence: *Ministers*—Benjamin H. Everitt, W. W. Stoddart; *Elder*—Henry L. St. John.

25. Siam: (No records).

26. Steuben: *Ministers*—Paul M. Strayer, Irving Maxwell; *Elder*—Francis S. Little.

27. Syracuse: *Ministers*—Simeon B. Dunn, Walter B. Jorris; *Elder*—J. Newton McPherson.

28. Troy: *Ministers*—Edward M. Deems, Horace H. Leavitt; *Elder*—Nelson S. Easton.

29. Utica: *Ministers*—George C. Noetling, Arthur H. Limouze; *Elder*—Frank H. Brown.

30. Westchester: *Ministers*—Wilson A. Eisenhart, Harold S. Rambo; *Elder*—Robert Ferguson.

The chairman of each special committee was requested to give an abstract of his report and to read the recommendations made.

The Committee on the Adjustment of the Finances between the Synod of New York and New England offered the following report which was approved:

At the meeting of Synod held at Gouverneur, October 15–17, 1912, a Committee consisting of Ralph E. Prime, Silas D. Brownell, Rush Taggart, Jesse F. Forbes and Edgar Whitaker Work was appointed to advise with the Stated Clerk in the adjustment of the financial affairs between the Synod of New York and the Synod of New England (Minutes of 1912, page 22.) At the General Assembly sitting in Louisville, Kentucky, May, 1912, the following resolution was adopted: "*Resolved*, that all financial adjustments that may be necessary in connection with the erection of the Synod of New England be left with the Stated Clerks of the Synods of New York and New England." (Minutes of 1912, page 273.)

In pursuance of the appointment of the Committee by Synod, your Committee met in the City of New York on the 8th day of April, 1913. All the members of the Committee, save one only, were in attendance. The Stated Clerk of Synod was also in attendance, also the Stated Clerk of the Synod of New England, also a Committee appointed by the Synod of New England, of which the Rev. Howard A. Johnson, D.D., was chairman. A joint meeting of all the two committees and the two Stated Clerks was held. Three claims were made on behalf of the Synod of New England, (1) for a division of the funds in the hands of the Trustees of Synod of New York and (2) a division of the funds in the hands of the Treasurer of Synod of New York, and (3) a division of the funds in the hands of the Treasurer of the Synodical Missions Committee of the Synod of New York.

1. As to the funds in the hands of the Trustees of the Synod of New York. These funds have arisen by reason of legacies under the last will and testaments of several persons, residents of the State of New York. Charles L. Palmer of Albany, died in December, 1906, and in his will he gave a part of his residuary estate to the Synod of New York to be used for the benefit of Synodical Missions. Under this bequest, we were informed, the trustees of Synod received about $28,000. Under the will of Emily M. Tribe a legacy of $500 was given to the Trustees of the Synod of Albany, for the purpose of church and mission work, to be carried on within the Synod of Albany, When Miss Tribe died, the Synod of Albany existed. The Synod of Albany had been incorporated in 1869 by the legislature of New York State. It embraced presbyteries, known as the presbyteries of Albany, Columbia, Troy, Saratoga, but no presbytery outside of the State of New York. In 1884, the legislature of New York incorporated the Synod of New York and consolidated with it the incorporated Synod of Albany. In October, 1897, the Synod of New York adopted its plan for Synodical Missions, by the terms of which, it expressly excluded New England. Some of the churches in the Presbytery of Westchester were, however, located in New England, and the Presbytery of New York, embraced a church at Montreal, Canada. The

Presbytery of Westchester refused to accept the plan of Synod for Synodical Missions, organized its own plan, never received any contributions whatever from the Synodical fund for Synodical Missions, but did, every year make substantial contributions to the Synod's work. The legacy of Miss Tribe was effective before the consolidation of the Synod of Albany in the Synod of New York. The legacy of Mr. Palmer came after the consolidation. The funds from Miss Tribe and Mr. Palmer are held in trust by the incorporation known as the Synod of New York, and managed by its Trustees and held by its Treasurer, and lawfully cannot be diverted from the purposes for which the money was given. The money under the Tribe will, must, therefore, be limited to uses for missions within what was the Synod of Albany, and this excludes all New England. Mr. Palmer must have understood the plan of Synodical Missions of the Synod of New York, which, at the time of his death expressly excluded New England, and, therefore, reading the existing situation at the time of his death into the will itself, that legacy could not lawfully be used in New England.

These facts being made known to your Committee and to the Committee of the Synod of New England and to the two Stated Clerks of the two Synods, the representatives of the Synod of New England of course felt compelled, and did withdraw any claim to those funds, and the joint meeting of all of the two Committees and the two Clerks unanimously agreed that the Synod of New England had no claim upon those monies, and that none of them could be rightfully turned over to the Synod of New England without an expressed adjudication of the courts that the conclusions agreed to were not to be sustained. The advice of your Committee, therefore, was that the Synod of New England had no claim upon the funds in the hands of the Treasurer of the Trustees of Synod.

2. As to the claim upon the funds in the hands of the Treasurer of Synod. It appeared by the report of the Treasurer of Synod, made to Synod in October, 1912, (minutes 1912, page 45) that there was a balance on hand, October 1st, 1912, of $2,471.90. This fund did not include the yearly contribution from or apportionment on the old Presbytery of Boston, and which sum we were informed the Presbytery of Boston refused to pay. If the Presbytery of Boston had accepted the proposition that it came into being when it was constituted in May, 1912, it might well have claimed that it was not obligated to pay that apportionment. But it assumed that it was not constituted until its first meeting, October 22, 1912, or after the 1912 meeting of Synod had been held and had been closed, and there were also sent as delegates to the Synod of 1912, representatives from the old Presbytery of Boston, which had comprised almost all the churches in New England, and some of those representatives participated in the organization and deliberations and action of the Synod of New York in October, 1912. Practically almost all the expenses of Synod, including the direction to print and distribute the minutes, were incurred by the Synod of New York the moment of its adjournment in October, 1912. Therefore, it seemed to the Committee that any division of the money in the hands of the Treasurer of Synod, which took any monies to the Synod of New England, should be reduced by the amount which the Presbytery of Boston should have contributed and also by the proportion which the old Synod of Boston should bear of the expenses of salaries and

printing the minutes and other expenses of the meeting of October, 1912. The differences of monies due to the Synod of New York, or on the other hand, the share payable to the Synod of New England, or the Presbytery of Boston, did not amount to more than $50 either way. Being an advisory committee, we advised the Stated Clerk of the Synod of New York of this situation, and to him belonged the matter of the final adjustment.

3. As to the funds in the hands of the Treasurer of the Synodical Missions Committee. This fund was contributed all by Presbyteries wholly situated within the State of New York, except only as to the Presbytery of New York, which had one church in Montreal, Canada and the Presbytery of Westchester, which had a few churches in New England, which were cut off by the erection of the new Synod of New England, but which last named Presbytery had never entered into the Synod's plan of Synodical Missions, and which plan, which must be kept in mind, excluded New England from its operations. Your committee, therefore, were of this opinion, and so advised your Stated Clerk that the Synod of New England had no claim upon those funds.

Our conference with those who represented the Synod of New England was cordial, and the fellowship was pleasant, and we understand that the conclusion above expressed, as to all the above mentioned funds, was practically the unanimous judgment of all in attendance.

As we had no power, save that of advice, we simply report the foregoing for the information of Synod.

Overtures and other documents and the Records of the Presbyteries were called for and placed in the hands of the Stated Clerk.

On the recommendation of the Stated Clerk the following papers and overtures were referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures:

1. An Overture from the Presbytery of Albany relating to the appointment of a Superintendent of Religious Education.

2. A Communication concerning the appointment of Chaplains in the United States Army and Navy.

3. An Overture from the Presbytery of Utica relating to the interests of the weaker churches of the State.

The Committee on the program of future meetings of Synod presented its report which was accepted and the following recommendations were approved:

1. That the standing rules be amended to provide for the printing of a Blue Book, according to the practice followed by the General Assembly, containing reports of all the Committees, special, standing, or on the Boards of the Church; that such reports must be in the hands of the Stated Clerk, thirty days before the meeting of Synod, and that no report be read on the floor of Synod without the direction of Synod; that the blue book be printed under the direction of the Stated Clerk, ready for distribution to the delegates at the place of the meeting

of the Synod, twenty-four hours before the opening Session; that the report of the Committee on Synodical Missions be printed by that Committee as Part II of the Blue Book, and be ready for distribution and distributed under the above arrangements.

2. That the calling of the roll at meetings of Synod, except the final roll call be omitted; that the enrollment by the Clerks, of members of the Synod shall constitute its roll, but that each delegate also make a card enrollment of himself of his attendance, to be delivered to the Clerks, which card list may be used also as the roll of Synod, such cards to be furnished by the Stated Clerk at each meeting of Synod.

3. That the afternoon and evening of the one day (1913) be devoted to Synodical Missions and to the subject of "The Financial Support of the Local Church" and the "Conduct of its Benevolences," or such other subjects as the Committee of Arrangements shall determine and consideration of each subject shall be conducted by an appointed leader, or leaders, and shall be of a general nature, and that on such evening of the second day, he heard one or two addresses relating to the matters formulated in the afternoon discussions.

4. It is suggested that the Communion be celebrated as the Devotional Exercise for the closing of the morning session of the second day.

5. That the subject of the work of the Boards of the General Assembly of the Church or of the Permanent Committees of Synod shall not enter into the program unless the local committee of arrangements desire the work of some particular Board or Committee to be considered.

6. That the morning Sessions be devoted to the business of Synod, to reports of Special and Standing Committees, and to reports of such other prominent committees as the local committee of arrangements may desire.

7. That the Clerk make up a continuous docket of all business and omit entirely the assignment of days or hours of days or the consideration of the subject, except only as the foregoing arrangement shall apply to the afternoon and evening of the second day, or as Synod itself may otherwise fix by special or general order, fixing a time for a subject.

We recommend the adoption of the following:.

Resolved, That the foregoing be adopted for the guidance of the Committee of Arrangements for each meeting of Synod, and of the Clerks of Synod, until otherwise ordered.

Resolved, That the standing rules of Synod be amended, by adding the following new standing rules:

XVIII. (1) All committees of Synod shall report in writing, and all reports of officers and Permanent Committees and of Special Committees appointed at one meeting of Synod, to report at a later meeting, shall be placed in the hands of the Stated Clerk, at least twenty days before the annual meeting of Synod; such reports shall be printed by the Stated Clerk in a Blue Book, to be ready at the place of meeting six hours before the meeting, and distributed to the delegates as they enroll; such reports shall not be read on the Floor of Synod

unless ordered by Synod and shall be abstracted and not printed in full in the minutes; the action of Synod thereon to be printed and such abstracts therefrom as may be necessary to show the action of Synod.

2. The Committee on Synodical Missions shall print its own report as Part II of the Blue Book and have the same in the hands of the Stated Clerk for distribution at the time and manner above provided as to the Blue Book.

XIX. Each delegate to Synod shall before the opening meeting of Synod present his credentials to the clerks, which, being found in order, he shall be enrolled. The clerks of Synod shall be the Committee on Credentials and shall report the roll for adoption at the opening and organization of Synod.

The clerks shall furnish to each delegate on his enrollment a uniform card to be filled up by him and delivered to the clerks, which shall state his name, name of his Presbytery, the day of his enrollment and such other information as to the clerks may be convenient. Such cards shall constitute a duplicate roll for use of the clerks and of Synod.

The roll shall not be called during meetings of Synod, except only the final roll call, unless Synod shall otherwise direct.

Resolved, That the words "and calling of the roll" be stricken from standing rule II of Synod.

The traveling expenses and for telegrams incurred and paid out by the Committee amount to $16.18. The recommendation of the report referring to the expenses of the Committee on the Program of Synod was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Committee on the subject of Divorce and Remarriage offered the following report which was accepted and the Committee was continued:

Suggestions, so called, in the report to the Synod of 1912, were apparently referred back to your Committee.

Most important of these was the suggestion of a question as to whether the subject in hand was ecclesiastical or non-ecclesiastical. If ecclesiastical, then as a Synod, it will be pursuing its lawful power to assist in watching the subject of securing legislation. If non-ecclesiastical, then in such case, members of Synod and members of your Committee, in this great moral subject, can only act as individuals. It is a difficult matter to decide. Other ecclesiastical bodies have committees at work, but their progress is very slow. It may well be that the important matter will be helped to a conclusion, by the influence, at least, of representatives of so large and influential a body as the Synod of New York. We have received communications from members of Synod, strong thinking men, loyal to the church, approving strongly of the suggestions made in our report of 1912, as to the relation of the State to the marriage relation, the statement of which at that time, we have no desire to change.

Nothing has transpired in the year past of any importance on the subject which should be reported to Synod.

An invitation was received from the Warden of Auburn Prison inviting the members of Synod to visit that institution this afternoon. The invitation was accepted.

An invitation was received from the President of the Auburn Theological Seminary to attend in a body the inauguration of Rev. Robert H. Nichols, Ph.D., as Professor of History, at four o'clock Thursday afternoon, also to attend a reception to be held at the Seminary Club House immediately after the inauguration. These invitations were accepted with appreciation.

The Synod listened to the report of the Executive Commission and the report was accepted. The portion of the report relative to the decease of Rev. William H. Hubbard, D.D., was referred to a Committee on Necrology which was then appointed, consisting of: Rev. Messrs. Henry Ward, George C. Yeisley and Elder Ralph E. Prime. Such committee was also instructed to recommend suitable action in view of the decease of Rev. Dr. Wilson Phraner, Rev. Dr. Augustus W. Cowles and Prof. Horace Briggs.

In view of the action of the General Assembly which is as follows:

That a simultaneous Church-wide every-member canvass preceded by an intensive course of missionary education be made in the month of March, 1914, and annually thereafter, to enlist every member of the Presbyterian Church to contribute weekly for the support of the whole missionary and benevolent work of the Church.

That representatives and members of all our Boards and Agencies and of Synodical and Presbyterial Committees be called upon to co-operate with pastors and members of our Churches in unremitting effort and unceasing prayer for this purpose.

The Committee recommended:

1. That the Synod approve these recommendations of the General Assembly.

2. That the Synod accept the apportionment of $738,000 as the sum which Synod will strive to raise this year in the support of the missionary and benevolent agencies of the Church.

3. That the Synod approve and commend to presbyteries and churches the effort to have an every member canvass, if not before, in March, 1914, and every year thereafter. That the Executive Commission be directed to co-operate with the Board and benevolent agencies of the church in promoting in every congregation an intelligent appreciation and participation of every member in christian giving.

The recommendations of the report were then adopted.

The following persons were elected members of the Executive Commission: Rev. David G. Wylie, D.D., and William McCarrell to succeed themselves for the full term of three years and Rev. Allan Macy Dulles, D.D., for two years to fill out the unexpired term of Rev. William H. Hubbard, D.D., deceased.

The report of the Committee on Religious Education was presented, accepted and the following recommendations were adopted:

1. That particular churches are advised anew to form Councils of Religious Education, which, under the direction of the Session, shall have charge of the educational work within their bounds.

2. That all of the Presbyteries within the bounds of this Synod are requested to unite their permanent committees on Sunday School Work and Young People's Societies under the head of Religious Education.

3. That the Board of Publication and Sunday School work be commended to the pastors and all others engaged in educational work in our churches as the appointed agency of the Assembly for helping them in their work and as worthy of their support and co-operation in this field of service.

4. That we endorse the graded lessons prepared by the Board of Publication and Sabbath School Work.

5. That the young people of every church be organized for service and that each Session appoint a permanent committee on Young People's Work.

6. That we record our hearty approval of the summer conferences on Religious Education and the Summer School on Training for Christian Service inaugurated by the Faculty of Auburn Theological Seminary and that we advise our churches to take advantage of this opportunity by sending delegates to the next conference.

7. That we request the Committee of Arrangements for the next meeting of Synod to devote one full session to the subject of Religious Education.

The Committee on Ministerial Relief presented its report of which the following is an abstract:

The constantly increasing Roll of the Board (an increase of 59 last year) makes increased giving on the part of the churches an absolute necessity, if their needs are to be met. That the roll is bound to increase for many years to come, is the judgment of everybody in a position to know anything of the matter at all and not until an Endowment shall have been secured large enough to meet these needs, can there be any slacking of efforts on the part of your Committee or decrease in the gifts from the churches and individuals.

The receipts of the Board were $1,118.50 more than last year and the disbursements $887.50 more, giving a net gain for the year of $231. Twenty-five more churches contributed to this cause last year than the year before and it is easy to be seen that if the other 254 churches, (which include many of the strong

congregations), could be brought into the contributing class even though the amount from each church were small the aggregate would be very satisfactory indeed, a condition your committee has been anxious to bring to pass and we are therefore, glad to be able to report an increase of even twenty-five to the roll of contributing churches, the past year.

The special campaign by representatives of the Board of Relief and Sustentation, in the Albany Presbytery last spring seems to have been helpful in many ways, increased interest and larger gifts being reported and it is the wish of your Committee that the Presbyteries throughout Synod shall plan to co-operate with the Board, in this Nation-wide movement for the *Ten Million Endowment Fund* as well as for increased contributions for the current needs of the Board.

Your Committee recommends the active continuance of the work and begs to suggest whether the time has not come, when Synod in the interest of this most important and needy Cause, should not, employ a competent man as field representative whose time should be very largely if not entirely given to this work.

The report was accepted and its recommendation as to a Field Representative was referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The Committee on Temperance presented the following report which was accepted and its recommendations were adopted:

The Advocates of the Temperance Cause note a slow but steady advance all along the line. While there is much to discourage owing to the indifference of many good people to this great evil, still the careful observer cannot fail to see the hopeful signs, especially in the victories that the Temperance workers are winning in many parts of our land. We rejoice in the fact that one-half of our whole country is legally dry territory.

Congress after much debate and long delays finally passed the Webb bill.

The restoration of the canteen was again up for discussion, but the measure was defeated.

The Post Office Department has ruled that liquor cannot be carried by parcel post. In our state, notwithstanding the strenuous efforts made to open the saloons legally on Sunday, the Temperance sentiment prevailed in our Legislature and Sunday was preserved from this vicious attack.

It is evident in every victory of the Temperance Cause, that it is the moral sentiment of our people that wins, which shows us the importance of cultivating and maintaining the attitude the Christian church should take on this great moral issue.

We recommend:

1. That this Synod commends the diligence and efficiency of the Permanent Committee of the General Assembly dealing with this subject in providing and distributing literature showing the evils of intemperance to the individual and the perils of the liquor traffic to the state.

2. That our churches be urged to contribute regularly for the support of Temperance Work.

3. That the Lessons on Temperance provided in our Lesson Helps be faithfully taught in our Sunday Schools.

4. That our churches be urged to hold meetings to arouse public sentiment against this evil whenever the advocates of the liquor traffic make any move to secure through legislation more privileges for the saloons.

The Committee on Next Place of Meeting reported that three invitations had been received viz: From the Webb Horton Memorial Church of Middletown, N. Y., from the First Church of Newburgh, and from the Church of Batavia.

The first of these invitations was accepted and the thanks of the Synod were tendered the churches of Newburgh and Batavia for their cordial invitations with a hope that later on it might be possible to enjoy their hospitality also.

Rev. William H. Foulkes, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Relief then addressed the Synod on that subject, occupying a part of the devotional season, in which Synod then engaged.

As the reports of the officers of Synodical Home Missions were presented in printed form, they were accepted without being read in detail and their substance is as follows:

Report of Treasurer:

Within the bounds of the Synod of New York according to the Assembly Minutes of 1913, not counting the Foreign Presbyteries, there are 842 churches, 610 of these are in the Presbyteries which have adopted the Synod's plan for its Mission work.

During the year the names of 443 of these churches have been entered upon the Treasurer's books as contributors to Synodical Home Missions. These gifts have been supplemented by those of the Allied Presbyteries, and a few miscellaneous gifts.

The Presbyteries of Buffalo, Hudson, Rochester, Syracuse and Westchester have aided by their gifts.

From the Reserve Fund at different times an amount equalling $1,047.11 has been withdrawn and credited to the General Fund to meet deficiencies in the payment of Missionary salaries and other expenses.

A statement of contributions received from churches, presbyteries and individuals is herewith presented:

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand October 1, 1912	$960 73	
Total contributions for the year ending October 1, 1913	22,602 64	
Interest on deposits	46 50	
From Reserve Fund	1,047 11	
Overdraft	46 20	
Total		$24,703 18

DISBURSEMENTS

Commissions paid from October 1, 1912, to October 1, 1913	$18,155 93	
Salary and expenses of Field Secretary	100 00	
Salary and expenses of Associate Secretary of Foreign Tongued People's Work	1,307 48	
Salary and expenses of Associate Secretary of Church Finances and Evangelism	2,556 57	
Salary of General Secretary and Treasurer	900 00	
Office expenses and stenographer	337 23	
Expenses of Permanent and Executive Committees	438 27	
Salary and expenses of Adirondack Missionary	185 00	
Rev. Henry Smith, special contribution	100 00	
Rev. James G. Carlile for Negro Superintendency Survey	50 00	
Rev. Wm. A. Byrd, Ph.D.	26 50	
Transferred to Reserve Fund	500 00	
Overdraft	46 20	
Total		$24,703 18

The accounts and vouchers having been audited and found correct the above report was approved.

The Committee on Synodical Home Missions offered the following report:

Early in 1912 your Committee applied to the Home Board for a survey of the Adirondack Lumber Camp situation, by the Rev. Francis Higgins, Lumber Jack Sky-Pilot. In response thereto, Mr. Higgins spent a considerable part of the winter of 1912–1913 in the Adirondack region, finishing his work by a conference in Westminster Church, Utica, New York. His recommendations concerning the Adirondack work were as follows, viz:

1. That a missionary be placed along the New York Central Lines, from McKeever to Tupper Lake. In this territory he will reach at least 20 camps, and between 1,100 and 1,200 men.

2. There should be a Sunday School and services at McKeever and Conifer. School houses are now being built in both of these places where services might be held.

3. That Rev. H. F. Smith, of Cranberry Lake, be appointed to visit the camps in his vicinity, and that at least $200 be given him for this extra work.

4. I am very much impressed with Mr. Maddox and believe that he should be one of the men to take up this work among the boys in the camps, provided his health will permit. He is so well acquainted with the region, and everywhere the men spoke in the highest terms of his efficiency.

5. There is a great lack of reading matter in all the camps, and a great longing on the part of the men for the same. Such can easily be supplied.

6. Sanitary conditions could be much improved, and I believe such can be done by the missionary pointing out to some of the Companies the small extra expense it would be for a great improvement.

Your Committee has been actively engaged, since the receipt of these recommendations, in an effort to give effect thereto. Pending action by this Synod, we have employed Mr. Maddox for two-fifths of his time—during the months of July, August, September and October—and have obtained Mr. Smith's services in the manner recommended by Mr. Higgins.

Your Committee was called into conference with representatives of the Home Board, with regard to the overture adopted by Synod at Gouverneur, as follows, viz:

"As to an overture from the Presbytery of Troy that more earnest consideration should be given to the work among the Foreign Tongued People within the bounds of the Synod, and that the Board of Home Missions be requested to appropriate not less than $5,000 of their funds for this work, and that quarterly payments of the same be made to the Treasurer of Synodical Missions for the work outside the so-called Metropolitan district, it is recommended that the request be granted."

Manifestly the Home Board, as Trustee of the funds placed at its disposal, can disburse such funds only for specific objects, etc. The Joint Committee therefore agreed that any disbursements from Home Board funds made for work in the Synod of New York should be only upon regular commissions duly executed by the proper officers of the Presbytery and approved by Synod's Committee.

In due course, the following record of this action was adopted by both the Home Board and by Synod's Committee, viz.:

1. Synod's Committee and its field secretaries will be the active force in exploring the field and exploiting new work, in connection with local churches, the Home Mission Committees of Presbyteries, etc. Centers of need will be occupied with especial view to their strategic importance and a better integrated purpose given to the work in the upper part of the State, with relation to the canal, rail thoroughfares and allied industries.

The co-operation of the Home Board will be extended through its Department of Immigration, hereafter referred to as the Department.

2. Surveys: Where extended studies are required, they will be made after conference with the Department, and according to plans agreed upon. All such studies will be filed, not only with the Synod's Committes, but with the Department.

3. Colportage: Where it is felt desirable and advisable to exploit a field in the first instance through colportage, such work will be carried on by Synod's Committee in co-operation with the Board of Publication and Sunday School work.

As such a colporteur in many communities will make the first expression of the spirit and purpose of Protestant Christianity, great care will be exercised in the choice of men for this work, and they will receive careful preliminary instruction, and work—where possible—under local direction. They will not engage in evangelistic work, excepting where especially arranged. The reports of such colporteurs will also be filed, as in the case of extended surveys.

Synod's Committee will thus further serve the field in unifying the work of Boards concerned and local agencies.

4. Occupying a field:

(*a*) Where a permanent work is designed, it will be related where possible to a Presbyterian Church, or local committee, or assured the active oversight of the Presbyterial Committee.

(*b*) Where aid is sought from the Board, the regular Form of Application for Aid as issued by the Department of Immigration will be used, approved and forwarded as the Board's Rules require by the Presbytery, or by the Presbytery's Committee on Home Missions. Such application, in the first instance, however, will receive the consideration and approval of Synod's committee.

(*c*) Grants will be made according to the accustomed form of the Home Board, and the missionary will be subject to the ordinary rules of the Board. Monthly reports, as required by the Department of Immigration, will be made, and copies also filed by the missionary with Synod's Committee.

5. Administration: Synod's Committee, through its Field Secretaries, will be the active agents in administration of this work up state, and will so represent the interests of the Home Board. There will, however, be constant conference with the Department, and any matters involving larger issues and vital policy will be especially taken up in such conference. It is also provided, if occasion may require, that the Home Board shall send its own representatives to the Field.

6. Budget: On or about the first of March, in joint conference of representatives of Synod's Committee and the Department, the budget for all centers so jointly administered will be determined for final recommendation to those agencies.

7. Future Extension: As Synod's Committee is fully impressed by the importance of such exceptional and emergent work as that in recent immigrant and industrial communities and in the lumber camps of the Adirondacks, and since it regards its functions to especially serve the Church in occupying these new and difficult and unusual fields, just so fast and so far as possible it will direct its own funds into these channels.

8. Promoting Resources: As it is further recognized that the present plan of co-operation herein suggested is extending new work into urgent fields without any immediate increase of Home Mission resources, the Home Board and Synod's Committee agree to an active and co-operative educational campaign in the effort to increase the gifts of the churches for both Synod's Committee and the Treasury of the Home Board.

Your Committee having been instructed by the Synod at Gouverneur as follows:

"That the Synodical Home Mission Committee be directed to take the appointment of Synodical Missionary for Colored People and the maintenance of same, under its supervision, and that this Committee look to the Board of Home Missions for financial support."

Would respectfully report that this subject has been given careful consideration by members of your Executive Committee, and that through one of our Associate Secretaries information has been sought from the Chairman of each

Presbytery on Synodical Home Missions relative to the needs of each Presbytery with regard to this work. The practically unanimous expression is that while in many instances the need is great, it is of such a character that it would not be met by the appointment of one general head for the entire State, but that the work must of necessity be prosecuted by those responsible for local work, whether connected with the local churches or connected with the Presbytery.

In pursuing this subject, your Committee has conferred with representatives of both the Home Board and the Board of Missions for Freedmen, and as indicating the present situation would quote from a letter received from the Secretary of the Board last named, under date of September 27, as follows:

"I think it would be advisable to postpone any further action in the New York Synod that might complicate the problem, since the whole matter was referred by the Assembly to the two Boards to report back to the next General Assembly."

Your Committee has not been unmindful of the vacancy in the Field Secretaryship. A call was extended to one of our most earnest Pastors to take the position of Field Secretary, with duties of Synodical Superintendent, and your Committee was so confident of the outcome that an understanding was had with the Home Board for defraying a generous portion of the salary. The call was eventually rejected. The demands of the situation in New York State are so great that the services of a man capable of directing a definite expansion in the work throughout the State is sorely needed at this time, and we cannot hope to secure the services of such a man without paying a salary commensurate with the importance of the work.

With regard to the work of our Department on Finance and Evangelism, your Committee would report that the work of this Department is conducted wholly on the invitation of the churches of the Presbyteries. Sufficient engagements have been made to occupy the Associate Secretary's time throughout the entire year, and at the time of preparing this report, October 1st, engagements are on the calendar for each week from this date to April, 1914, except for the month of February, which has been reserved by instructions of our Committee for active work in connection with the "Church Wide, Every Member Canvass" campaign. These engagements for the most part begin on Saturday and are concluded on the Tuesday or Wednesday following. The other days of the week are open for conference with officers or committees wishing to make engagements for such work.

The work of the year has been largely the introduction and establishment of the Double Budget System of Church Finance in the congregations of the Synod. The work has been attended by gratifying results, varying naturally with local conditions. Only a few of the invitations came from churches that are receiving Synodical aid. Not many of the churches were very small, the invitations coming mainly from the larger and more able churches of the Synod. Nevertheless, there has been sufficient work among the smaller and aid-receiving churches to convince your Committee of the necessity for a constant and vigorous prosecution of this work.

The consecration of one's means to the support of the Lord's work being so closely identified with the consecration of one's person, we have sought to combine the Evangelistic with the Financial by conducting under the direction of the Presbyterial Committees a number of Church Awakening Campaigns, in which we have sought to get definite action looking toward a larger response from the people in the matter of their consecration to personal service.

Your Committee participated in the conference held at Chicago, at the instance of the Joint Committee of the Executive Commission and the Boards of the Church, on the subject of "Church Wide, Every Member Canvass." Our Associate Secretary on Church Finance and Evangelism was the representative at the conference and will continue to act in that capacity.

With regard to the work of our Department among people of foreign speech, your Committee would report that the Associate Secretary in charge of this work has conscientiously devoted his time to encouraging the established work and to counselling with church communities where colonies of foreign speaking people reside. The aim has been to inspire local churches to a more definite and vigorous effort to bring the influence of the gospel to bear upon these strangers in our midst.

One of the great opportunities in connection with this work is the current United Missionary campaign, in which your Committee has delegated our Associate Secretary in charge of the work among people of foreign speech to participate as the representative of the Presbyterian Church under the Synod of New York.

In co-operation with the Home Board, extended efforts have been and are being made to induce the churches to organize Mission Study Classes for the specific purpose of the study of immigration during this fall and winter. A special text book on the subject has been prepared by the superintendent of the Department of Immigration of the Home Board.

Your Committee has already reported on the fact of having secured the services of a missionary to the lumbermen for two-fifths of the time during the last quarter of the Synodical Year, and in connection therewith would state that the local reports from the Chairman of the Presbyterial Committee of the three Presbyteries of Champlain, St. Lawrence and Utica are so enthusiastic and appealing that the Committee will at the proper time offer a resolution securing your authority to appoint an Associate Secretary permanently for service of this character.

Your Committee has been instructed by action of Synod to take over the duties of the former Committee on Evangelistic Work. It has no apology to offer in this connection, as our Associate Secretary on Church Finance and Evangelism has impressed the evangelistic spirit on many of our churches during the past year; also arrangements have been made for the presentation of this vital feature of the church's work at this Synod by the Secretary of Assembly's Committee on Evangelistic Work. Nevertheless, your Committee would reiterate its belief that this phase of the church's work is of such fundamental importance that an active Committee should be established to devote its entire energy to this one thing.

Your Committee would recommend that under items 33 and 41 of the plan the title be changed to read "Synodical Superintendent" instead of "Field Secretary" and that the item numbered 41 read "Report to the Executive Committee" instead of "Report to the General Secretary," As follows:

41. The Synodical Superintendent shall keep in touch with the requirements of the field, council with Presbyterial Committees, co-operate with them in encouraging weak churches and securing pastors, and in general foster and develop the work throughout the state, regularly supplying data to the Executive Committee that will enable the Committee at all times to have at hand a roster of vacant pulpits and of available ministers throughout the State.

In order to harmonize this action throughout the plan it will be necessary to change the title to Synodical Superintendent wherever the title Field Secretary appears in the plan.

Your Committee would respectfully report that to fill the expiring terms of Mr. DeWitt C. Hurd and Mr. G. P. Conard for three years, and to fill a two year term through the resignation of Mr. Henry L. Smith, it has elected Mr. DeWitt C. Hurd and Mr. G. P. Conard for the three year term, and the Honorable W. S. Bennett for the two year term under Rule 27 of the Plan.

Your Committee would report that it has reelected, with the approval of the Synod, Mr. G. P. Conard as Chairman for the term of two years.

Your committee would further report with regard to the Synodical Superintendent that this position has been filled, subject to your approval, by the election of Mr. U. L. Mackey who has served so acceptably as Associate Secretary on Church Finance and Evangelism.

Your Committee desires this year to receive definite instructions from Synod as to whether or not it shall proceed with the program of expanded work, on which it has been engaged during the past few years. If the instructions are in the affirmative, it will be necessary for your Committee to also receive assurance that financial support will be accorded for the constantly enlarging work.

It should be borne in mind in this connection that while the demands for your Committee's services are constantly increasing, no local work of any character will be undertaken by any of the agencies at our command except by the desire of those upon whom the local responsibility rests. The plan adopted by Synod under which this Committee operates definitely fixes responsibility upon each Presbytery for activities within its bounds, and the Committee's operations are carried on accordingly.

1. *Resolved*, That the report of the Treasurer of Synod's Committee on Home Missions having been audited and found correct is hereby approved.

2. That the Synod hereby approves the substitution of the term "Synodical Superintendent" for the term "Field Secretary" wherever the latter term appears in the plan for the administration of Synodical Home Missions.

3. That Synod hereby amends Item No. 41 of the Plan for the administration of Synodical Home Missions to read as follows:

41. The Synodical Superintendent shall keep in touch with the requirements of the field, council with Presbyterial Committees, co-operate with them in encouraging weak churches and securing pastors, and in general foster and develop the work throughout the state, regularly supplying data to the Executive Committee that will enable the Committee at all times to have at hand a roster of vacant pulpits and of available ministers throughout the state.

4. That Synod hereby approves the election of two members of the Executive Committeefor three years each and one member for two years.

5. That Synod hereby approves the election of the Chairman and the Synodical Superintendent, each for a term of two years.

6. That Synod heartily approves of the services rendered by the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions through its Associate Secretary on Church Finance and Evangelism, and desires the continuance of this work.

7. That Synod endorses the action of its Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions in securing the services of competent Mission Workers in the Adirondack Lumber Camps, and hereby expresses a desire that the Committee continue to take such action as may be necessary to give full effect to each of the recommendations of the Rev. Francis Higgins, as contained in the Committee's report to Synod.

8. That the appointment of a special missionary for colored people is inadvisable at the present time, and be held in abeyance, and that careful attention be given by the Associate Secretaries to individual co-operation in and assistance to the local Presbyterial Committees.

9. That Synod heattily approves of the plan of co-operation agreed upon jointly by its Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions and the Board of Home Missions for assistance and co-operation in its work.

10. That the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions be, and hereby is, assured of the support of Synod, both financial and moral, in its efforts to secure the services of capable men, who, under the Committee's direction, will counsel and co-operate with all churches throughout Synod, and will, in particular, foster and encourage the weaker churches; and where it isdesired, act as a Committee on Vacancy and Supply for any of our churches appealing for such service.

11. That in view of the adoption of the Budget System and the prospective "Church Wide, Every Member Canvass" campaign which is to take place during the forthcoming Synodical Year, and which will intimately affect the financial support of Synod's own work, the Moderator be and hereby is directed to appoint a special committee of ways and means to consist of at least seven members, of which number there shall be included the Moderator and the Treasurer of Synod and the Chairman of Synod's Committee on Home Missions.

12. That for the year 1913–14 Synod approves of the Budget of the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions, which shows a need for funds, to be disbursed through the Committee's Treasury, as follows, viz:

In assisting to defray Pastor's salary in the weaker churches	$20,000 00
Work among People of Foreign Speech	1,500 00
Synodical Superintendent and Church Finance and Evangelism	4,000 00
Adirondack Mission Work	2,500 00
General Secretary and Treasurer, including Office Expenses	1,200 00
Executive Committee Expenses (4 meetings per annum)	400 00
Printing Reports, Stationery, etc	400 00
Emergency Fund	3,000 00
	$33,000 00

The report was received and its consideration was deferred until this afternoon.

A paper relating to the continuation of the department of Church and Country Life of the Home Board was received and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

After prayer, recess was taken until two o'clock, P. M.

WEDNESDAY, October 22, 2 o'clock, P. M.

After prayer, business was resumed.

The consideration of the report on Synodical Missions was resumed. Rev. William Adams Brown, D.D., and Rev. A. H. Allen spoke of the Work Among Foreign Tongued People, Rev. John D. Warren spoke on Luthenian Work in Elmira and Prof. Giovanni della Ragione concerning work among the Italians in Auburn.

Rev. A. E. Maddox spoke on Mission Work among the Woodmen of the Adirondacks, Rev. A. F. McGarrah addressed Synod on the Every Member Simultaneous Campaign and Rev. U. L. Mackey concerning the weaker churches. Prayer was offered. Rev. George T. Mahy led a Conference on Evangelism.

The recommendations of the Synodical Mission Committee as given above were then adopted as a whole.

The Committee also proposed the following resolution which at their suggestion was referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

Resolved, That the Synod of New York recommends to its Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions, that it endeavor to secure through the Presbyterial Committee on Home Missions, in each Presbytery, definite action by each of the several Presbyteries in co-operation with the several congregations, which will insure to our ministers a salary of at least $1,000.00 per annum, either forthwith or by graduate increase thereto.

The report of the Trustees of Synod was received and accepted and is as follows:

One meeting has been held as provided in Synod Rules, the present officers are Rev. Charles S. Lane, president; John T. D. Blackburn, secretary, and Edwin T. Hanford, treasurer.

The invested funds now in the hands of the Trustees have not been increased or diminished, except as to income and expenditure during the past year.

The investments total	$28,394 32
Balance on hand	145 67
Roseboom Legacy for the Cherry Valley Church	5,000 00

The first amount consists of the Tribe and Palmer legacies. The income of $1200 has been paid as before to the treasurer of Synodical Missions.

The total expenses of the Board including the bond of the Treasurer, amounted to $75.10.

The terms of the following trustees expire with this meeting of Synod:

Rev. David G. Wylie, D.D., Rev. A. Cameron MacKenzie, D.D., and Elders Rush Taggart and Thomas Dransfield. Mr. Dransfield wishes that some one else be elected in his stead.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod was presented and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures reported as follows and its recommendations were adopted:

1. As to an overture from the Presbytery of Albany relative to the appointment of a Secretary of Religious Education for the State, we recommend that the matter be referred to Synod's Committee on Religious Education and Sunday School Work.

2. As to an Overture from the Association of Army Chaplains asking that the Synod appoint a Committee to act with them in promoting the moral and religious welfare of the men under the Flag, we recommend that the Synod express its interest in and sympathy for the christian Chaplains in the Army and Navy of the United States of America and among the Soldiers and Sailors serving underneath the flag of our country, but the Synod, however, is powerless under the Polity of our church to approve programs or appoint delegates or committees to any meeting not under the control of our church courts or to authorize any official representation in such meetings.

3. As to an Overture from the Presbytery of Utica regarding the strengthening of the weaker churches, it is recommended that no action be taken as the Synodical Committee on Missions is considering that question.

4. As to an Overture to the General Assembly requesting that the Department of Church and Country Life be continued, it is recommended that the Overture be answered in the affirmative.

5. As to the Overture from the Committee of Adjustment between the Synod of New York and New England, relative to the combining of the Trust

Funds in the hands of the Trustees of this Synod, it is recommended that the matter be referred and intrusted to the wisdom and integrity of the Trustees of the Synod of New York their attention being called to the report of the Committee on this subject.

6. As to an overture from the Synod that its Committee on Synodical Missions endeavor to secure to its ministers a salary of at least $1,000 a year, it is recommended that said Synodical Committee be instructed to consider and report at the next meeting of Synod a definite plan for carrying this into effect.

The report of the Committee on Freedmen was presented and accepted. The following facts were especially emphasized:

During the year 1,852 have been added to the churches on examination. The educational work is most important and encouraging. The Board's School property aggregates nearly $1,000,000. Four hundred and twenty-nine teachers being employed and 15,330 pupils are under their care.

Our church has always emphasized the importance of Education. It is the only antiseptic for superstition. The record of school work is splendid. A large amount of property has been added to a number of Institutions. The class of work has been of the highest; and yet with the union between the industrial and literary work of the Board, the negro has not been educated away from his people, but has been fitted for citizenship and industry on the farms and in the factory, or for employment in the business and professions of life.

Such a variety of work calls for the liberal support of the church. The total receipts from the churches was $78,059.55. The Sunday Schools gave $11,574.10. Other gifts, legacies, interest, etc., brought the total receipts to $323,899.29, a goodly sum, but all too small when we think of the variety of the work.

The interests of this Board should come in for their share, in the great educational work of Missions, and our young people should be instructed in the importance of the negro problem in our social and economic life.

While not as attractive a study, perhaps, as that of Immigration, a subject with which our papers are full, it is none the less important; and our people will never respond with a liberality deserving of the work, until there is a broader knowledge of the need and importance of the work. To this end, we urge that the Sunday School use this year, the Jubilee program prepared by the Board, and take an offering for this work in the Sunday School.

Rev. John L. Gage of the Synod of Iowa being present, was invited to sit as a Corresponding Member.

The Committee of Arrangements recommended the following order for the celebration of the Lord's Supper at 12 o'clock noon on Thursday, which was approved:

That the Rev. John R. Mackay, D.D., preside and administer the bread and Rev. Charles N. Frost, D.D., administer the cup, and that the following Elders assist in distributing the Elements: Edward B. Sterling, Edwin T. Hanford,

Frederick B. Wills, Frederick B. Gleason, Thomas E. Rippey, Edward S. Ireland, William H. Hollister, Jr., George W. Banks.

The Committee on the College Board offered the following report which was accepted and their recommendations were adopted:

During the thirty years of its existence the College Board has a record of which it may well be proud. In 1883 at the time the Board was organized there were 20 colleges including Hamilton and Princeton. In 1913 there were, not including Hamilton and Princeton, 60 colleges. The student body had increased in this time from 2,212 in college department in 1883, including Hamilton and Princeton, to 7,770 in 1913, exclusive of the above named institutions. Property and endowment, during the same period and with the same classification, increased from $5,541,000 in 1883, to $31,886,679 in 1913. Added to the above number those students who are in other than the collegiate department, we have the grand total of 21,731 young people in the institutions under the care of our Board, being trained for the highest type of manhood and womanhood, and being fitted to help solve the problems of the church and the world. In this day of the demand for higher education, who can estimate the value these 60 colleges are to the young men and women who not only receive training in the arts and sciences but who also receive that which is of more worth still, the deepening of their religious life and the formation of such strength of character as will stand the severe test of this modern life? When one reflects upon the statement made, and so far as we know undisputed, that one-half of the students who enter American colleges are not professed followers of Christ, one can readily see that the answer to the question,—"will they become christians?" depends in a large measure upon the character of the college they attend. The Presbyterian Church received 84 per cent of her Theological students and 93 per cent of her missionaries from these institutions under the care of the Board. Add to this the large army of capable, cultured Christian laymen upon whom depends the progress of the Kingdom, one has the greatest argument for the bestowing of liberal gifts for endowment and equipment that these institutions may be able to give the best possible preparation for a life of Christian service. Your committee would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That the Synod reaffirm its conviction that, as stated by the conference of representatives of the Board of Education and the College Board, "the maintenance of the Christian college is essential to a Christian civilization and fundamental to the life of the Church," and, therefore, individuals of means can make no better investment than by contributing liberally for the adequate equipment of these institutions.

2. That, as recommended by the General Assembly, all churches make liberal offerings for the work of the College Board and send these offerings undesignated to the Board.

The following Committee in connection with the recommendation of the Synodical Missions Committee in reference to the every

Member Canvass was appointed: Rev. David G. Wylie, D.D., Rev. E. Van Dyke Wight, D.D., Rev. U. L. Mackay, and Messrs. John T. D. Blackburn, William H. Hollister, Jr., J. E. McAfee and Geo. P. Conard.

The Committee on Home Missions presented its report which was accepted and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

1. That pastors and churches secure and make the largest use of the Board's Program, "New Americans for a New America," and other literature.

2. That Home Mission Week be observed by the churches as a special means of awakening the membership to the peculiar relationship of the church to the immigrant and industrial question.

3. That we particularly commend to the churches the every member canvass for the support of the Boards of the Church.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was offered and approved and the following interesting facts received special attention:

The total amount of money contributed by the Synod of New York for the China Emergency Appeal, as given in the Annual Report of the Board, was $215,115 and $90,000 has been pledged but not yet paid. Teams made up of some of our ablest missionaries are now at work in several localities in this state and it is hoped that every important center will be reached this year. Nothing can help this movement on to the completion of its great undertaking more than the endorsement of the presbyteries and the encouragement of the individual churches. The Emergency which confronts the Church has received additional emphasis by the appeal sent forth by the Chinese Cabinet, asking that Chinese Christians set apart a special Sunday as a day for prayer for the new Republic of China; by the recognition of the new Republic of China by the United States government; by the enthusiasm shown by thousands of students in connection with the meetings held under the auspices of the World Missionary Conference; by the reports from many mission stations of the increased attendance upon the services; and by the very large number of those who have confessed Christ. The call to the church is imperative! The undertaking is not impossible. The men and women can be found to do the work. The money can be raised if the churches respond to the opportunity.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions finds itself in hearty sympathy with the recommendation of General Assembly urging a simultaneous church-wide, every member canvass, in behalf of the Boards of the Church, and is ready to enter into active co-operation with other committees of Synod in taking steps to secure the successful operation of this movement.

The Committee on Lord's Day Observance presented its report of which the following is the summary:

The Sunday question, always a live theme, is just now especially insistent and vital. The annual attempts to break down our Sunday laws have been this year unusually determined, persistent and dangerous. The remarkable, unsound and fallacious contention advanced so frequently, and sometimes by those of high political standing and influence, that to open the saloons in New York City on Sunday afternoons would cure police graft; and the recommendation and introduction of Sunday bills of all sorts have provoked a widespread newspaper and pulpit discussion. So much confusion of thought is shown by many reputable writers, and so manifest is a lack of appreciation of the fundamental principles underlying our Sunday laws, that we ought to unite as Christian citizens and as leaders of public opinion to make the historic American position on Sunday Rest familiar to the great masses of our foreign population, as well as to the young who are growing up about us. No civic or Christian service now demanded of the Churches and of the clergy of New York is of higher importance than this.

The priceless boon of religious liberty for which our ancestors fought and which has throughout the history of our nation been one of the most prized of our constitutional guarantees could not be maintained for a Christian State such as ours is except under the protection afforded by our Sunday laws. If such *personal* liberty, as many blindly demand, if unrestricted labor or its employment, if general business or public amusement, were permitted on Sunday, millions would lose their Sunday freedom and with it their religious liberty. "Liberty of rest for each demands a law of rest for all." A striking illustration of this is afforded by the decided vote of the Kosher butchers of New York City last winter against changing the laws so as to permit those who observe some other day as holy time to do business on Sunday. They gave as the ground of their opposition their conviction that the only assurance they have of any day of rest is the Sunday law. We cannot be blind to several important factors working a rapid change in public practice and in the esteem in which Sunday is held. The essentially religious aspect of the Day is threatened. We can take time to name only five of the threatening conditions.

1. Immigration. We used to talk of the Continental Sunday and the American Sunday, and hoped that the Continental Sunday would not prevail in our cities. But the Continentals have come to us and have brought their Sabbath with them. In 1911, there were 300,000 more foreigners (that is persons of foreign birth or parentage) in Greater New York, than the entire population of Greater New York ten years before.

2. The rapid growth of the non-Christian population of our city in this decade and a half. There are now 1,252,000 Jews in New York City, and more Cohens than Smiths in its Directory.

3. The rapid changes and growing complexity of modern industrial organization.

4. The lack of religious instruction in the education of the young.

5. A widespread spirit of lawlessness. As a marked manifestation of this, note the growing resentment against all Sunday laws in restraint of business or of pleasure as being an interference with personal liberty. That these laws are in

defense of religious liberty is forgotten by the masses who resent all these limitations as an attempt to impose a religion upon them at the sacrifice of their personal liberty.

In view of all this, some facts are to be noticed:

a. The individual cannot adequately protect and defend his own religious liberty. The community must do this for him. Here is the necessity of clear-cut Sunday laws and of their strong, consistent enforcement. These Sunday laws are by no means a dead letter, as some imagine. Mr. Waldo, the New York Commissioner of Police, has, with the co-operation of the courts and the District Attorney, been giving a much better enforcement of the Sunday laws in New York City than we have had for years. During 1912, there were in all 3122 ases before the courts for Sabbath breaking, not to count a number of cases for Sabbath breaches of the excise law. The average number of convictions under all the laws relating to misdemeanors is 69 per cent, but of these Sunday cases 2285 or nearly 75 per cent were convicted and punished. There has also been this summer a state-wide movement for better Sunday conditions and sheriffs and courts have responded.

b. It is a debatable question whether the strongest support for the Sunday laws, and the most insistent demands for their enforcement come from members of the Christian Churches or from the ranks of the toilers. The chief attacks upon these laws both in the Legislature and elsewhere have come from those who desire to use Sunday for personal gains or for pleasure. The chiefest danger is in the apathy of their friends.

c. A host of measures looking to the breaking down of our Sunday laws are before the Legislature at every session. Counting the bills introduced in both the Assembly and Senate, more than a score of bad Sunday bills were last winter fought and killed. Among them were three bills for the Sunday opening of saloons; two others to authorize the Board of Aldermen of New York City with the approval of the Commissioners on Estimate and Apportionment to determine the hours during which, and the conditions under which, it shall be lawful to sell intoxicating liquors on Sunday between the hours of one o'clock and eleven o'clock P. M. This was the most dangerous Sunday liquor bill which had been proposed. Other bills would provide for Sunday baseball; Sunday outdoor athletic sports; Sunday theatrical exhibitions, if they are instructive; Sunday business of all sorts by certain persons; the Sunday moving picture shows, etc., etc. Thanks to the untiring opposition of the friends of Sunday observance all these bills at Albany were defeated.

4. The only power that can maintain these laws is a sufficient number of votes at the ballot box, and a sufficiently pronounced and outspoken interest on the part of the Churches and Christian patriots. There are so many diversities of practice on the part of Church members that in some instances ministers hardly know how far they will be supported by their congregations in urging a better observance of Sunday. There is a certain hesitancy, a certain lukewarmness, a certain fear of being called radical or Puritanic or whatever name the opponents of our American Sabbath may desire to use, to deter many who should be the active supporters of the Lord's Day.

It is not enough to reiterate the commandment of God to a people, many of whom do not look upon this law as formerly. We must gather light to throw upon it. We must show the scope, the meaning, and the blessing of the law in the light of these truths of nature and of revelations, so that public opinion and the public conscience will give strong support to the Rest Day. As in the private so here in the public phases of the Sunday problem a Scientific Research into the influence of Sunday rest upon human welfare is demanded. Such a Research is now in progress by the New York Sabbath Committee.

5. This work for the maintenance of the National Sabbath will go far toward a better social Sabbath, for the practices of society are constantly shaped and reshaped by the convictions and the intelligence of the people. This whole question must, therefore, receive at this critical time a larger share of the attention and emphasis of the pulpit and of the Church Is such the present tendency?

Because of the peculiar and critical character of the times we recommend:

1. That the Synod instruct and advise the pastors of churches to give a prominent place to this subject in their sermons and especially recommend to them the observance of Sabbath Sunday on some Lord's Day.

2. That we again express our interest and approval of the proposed Scientific Research as a service of real value to the Churches and to the community in behalf of a more general and intelligent observance of the Lord's Day, and are glad to know that the work is actually beginning.

The report of the Committee was accepted and its recommendations were adopted.

The report of the Church Erection Committee was presented and accepted and is as follows:

The first item that should be presented to this Synod is the fact that during the past year the Board has received two thousand dollars less in contributions from the Churches than the year previous. The appropriations have increased nearly seven hundred dollars. In former years the Synod of New York was a great help to the Board in its work in newer sections of the country; but at the present time it is taking an amount for its own help from the Board that nearly equals its total contribution. In figures it reads as follows: 547 Churches contributed $10,488; and $7,700 were appropriated by the Board for the aid of congregations within the Synod.

The report of the Committee on the Board of Education contains the following important facts in relation to the work:

The attention of the entire Church should be more definitely directed to the vital question of ministerial supply and equipment.

The responsibility rests largely upon the pastors.

There is cheering evidence that many pastors are recognizing anew this responsibility and are earnestly endeavoring to meet it.

Through the aggressive and well directed efforts of the able Secretaries of the Board and because of the awakened interest of the pulpit, the people of the Church are receiving fuller information, and are, as a result, becoming aroused to the importance of this matter of ministerial supply and training. We are only beginning to appreciate, however, what God will do through this arm of the Church, if the Church will be true to Him and to it.

A glance over the work of the Board during the past year reveals abundant cause for gratitude, and inspires hope and optimism for the future.

The year has been the Banner Year in the Board's nearly century of history. There has been an increase in the number of ministerial students, in the number of medical missionary students, in the gifts from Churches, Sunday Schools, individuals and legacies; an increase in definite results from observance of the Day of Prayer, and from the plan of College Visitation; and a marked advance in the work of caring for our Presbyterian students in State Universities.

These are cheering facts. Let not the Church feel, however, that she has at all adequately met the need in this direction. The normal percentage of candidates for the ministry to the membership of the Church is one to every 800. The present proportion is one to every 1121 members. One thousand men are needed on the home field at once, and there is an available supply from all sources of only four hundred. Two hundred and forty-three ministers and missionaries are needed for the Foreign work this year. The Foreign Board has been able to secure only 63 of this number. Two hundred and thirteen ministers were ordained the past year and 140 were received from other denominations. But 167 ministers died and 45 were dismissed, making a net gain of 141.

If the Church is going to be true to her divinely appointed mission, she must both earnestly pray to God and urgently appeal to men for more laborers in the whitened harvest.

Not only do we need more leaders, but more efficient leaders. After all, the question of ministerial supply is not alone a question of numbers, it is still more one of quality. Never was there a time when the work of the Christian ministry was more difficult and tasking. Never was there a time when other callings offered to young men of ability such glittering prizes.

The Board aided 794 students during the past year, an increase of seven over the preceding year. Of these 344 were in our Seminaries, 357 in colleges, and 93 in academies. Seventeen medical missionary students were aided, as against ten in the year preceding. It is to be noted, in this connection that the Foreign Board reports an immediate call for 40 medical missionaries.

There are some special considerations which should claim the earnest attention of the whole Church.

The General Assembly, recognizing the immediate urgency of the several lines of work laid upon the Board of Education, has granted this Board during the present year an Emergency Budget of $100,000, making the Board the only exception to the rule of a 10 per cent increase. This increase has been granted by the Assembly, and is urged upon the Churches in view of the following facts:

1. There will be added expense on account of increased scholarship, as there is certain to be an increase in the number of medical students requiring aid. And there has been laid upon the Board, by the Assembly, the responsibility of furnishing aid to students in training for lay work.

2. Bloomfield and Dubuque Seminaries have both asked for grants wherewith to establish chairs for the instruction of foreign speaking students, and in view of the need of work among our increasing foreign population, these requests should be granted.

3. The work among University students is rapidly developing into very large proportions. Last year $50,000 more was spent in this work than the year before. This year a corresponding advance in this expense will be required.

4. The new feature of College Visitation and Candidate Enlistment, in cooperation with the Evangelistic Committee and the Home Mission Board, gives large promise and should be vigorously pushed. In order to effectively prosecute this plan it has been necessary to secure a representative who will take charge of the entire work of recruiting for the ministry and the missionary service. Undoubtedly the Church will, in the near future, realize the good results of this special feature of the Board's activities.

5. In view of the fact that, with the asistance of the Board, definite work in the interest of our Presbyterian students at Cornell University is to be undertaken, it is incumbent upon us that there shall be a marked increase in Synod's contributions to the Board.

The above report was approved.

The following action was taken:

The Synod reaffirms its former endorsement of the work of the American Tract Society, and heartily commends its specific work in providing Christian literature for the immigrants and colporters for distribution among them, also its colportage service in the various states and frontier settlements, which carries the Gospel Message on the printed page.

We heartily commend the cash appropriation of funds for the publication of Christian literature at the foreign mission stations, thereby making possible, otherwise impossible work.

We look upon the American Tract Society as an efficient agency in proclaiming the knowledge of Christ as the redeemer of sinners to every creature. We recommend our Churches to place it upon their schedule of annual offerings, believing the Society to be worthy of our generous and regular contributions, and also of our testamentary gifts.

The Committee on Presbyterian Brotherhood presented its report which was accepted and its recommendations were adopted. Its substance is as follows:

The brotherly love and warm sociability of the early church is responsible for the best that is in the fraternities of men. The Brotherhood gives an opportunity to revive this cordiality as necessary today as in the early church.

The simpler the organization the better. But the committees, evangelistic, missionary, financial, boys' work, musical, social, membership, temperance, patriotic, advertising, etc., should be appointed as the existing circumstances of each individual church demand. But the object to be kept in mind should be, not so much what work is to be accomplished, as what work can this man do and where can I start him working.

During the past year some of our brotherhoods have cleared off the financial debt on the church and obtained subscriptions for church support, which have brought monthly payments of salaries to many pastors, and for the first time really fulfilled the terms of the pastoral call, which promised to "free him of worldly cares and avocations."

Some brotherhoods are by this "every member canvass" also adding materially to the missionary gifts of our church. They stand as minute men to welcome and push the Laymen's Missionary compaigns. Becoming "storage men" for driving new industries for the Master here and afar.

There are presbyteries which have not yet appointed a Brotherhood Committee. We feel this is a deplorable neglect. And the Synodical Committee would suggest that, where such a lack exists, the present Moderator or Executive Commission appoint a temporary chairman for this work, with whom the Synodical chairman may communicate.

As a definite object upon which we may concentrate during this coming year, the General Assembly has concurred in the plan which is to be followed by other denominations also, of carrying on an "every-member canvass" during next March in those churches which have not as yet made such a thorough campaign. In so far as this is successful in increasing the income of now dependent churches, a like proportion will be released from our Synodical Fund for new missionary work in our State. This canvass will also secure gifts for the increasing demands of our church's missionary propaganda at home and abroad.

We, therefore, would respectfully recommend:

1. That the appointment of Brotherhood Committees be made by those churches and presbyteries where such committees have not yet been formed.

2. That all brotherhoods and men's organizations co-operate in an every-member canvass for subscriptions for church support and missions next March, if such a canvass has not been made before.

Synod then adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

WEDNESDAY, October 22, 7:45 o'clock, P. M.

A popular meeting was held in the interest of Foreign Missions. Addresses were made by Rev. John Fox, D.D., on "The Bible and Missions," and by Secretary Robert E. Speer on "The Church and Missions."

THURSDAY, October 23, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Synod met and after prayer, business was resumed.

The minutes of previous Sessions were read and approved.

The Committee to Collate the Reports of the Committees on the Records of the Presbyteries reported, recommending that the records of the following Presbyteries be approved: Albany, Binghamton, Buffalo, Cayuga, Champlain, Chemung, Columbia, Genesee, Geneva, Hudson, Long Island, Lyons, Nassau, New York, Niagara, North River, Otsego, Porto Rico, Rochester, St. Lawrence, Troy, Utica and Westchester.

The records of the following Presbyteries were not presented: Brooklyn, Chili, Eastern Persia, North Laos, Siam, Steuben, Syracuse.

The report of the Collating Committee was approved.

It was resolved:

That Synod instruct its Home Mission Committes to use every effort through its Synodical Superintendent and otherwise and to call the attention of the Presbyteries to this matter to secure the merging of the two or more Evangelical churches of a district over churched into one strong and useful body, and further, that it endeavor to enlist the Home Mission Boards of each denomination directly concerned in the support of these churches in effecting such co-operation, federation or consolidation.

The Women's Synodical Society of Home Missions presented the following report of its work during the past year:

The Woman's Synodical Society of Home Missions of the Synod of New York presents to your body to-day, its thirty-first annual report:

During the past year, as a Synodical Society, we have entered into the experience of the Apostle Paul, when he wrote "Sorrowful, yet always rejoicing."

We have been glad to receive good tidings of the Synod of New England and of its Woman's Synodical Society.

Yet the severing of the tie which bound them to us has diminished in numbers, the societies, the members, and the amount of the contributions of the Woman's Synodical Society of Home Missions of the Synod of New York. This will explain, in some measure, the disparities, should one compare the figures of our report for 1912–1913 with that of 1911–1912.

Our organization is now composed of 25 Presbyterial Societies in which are 640 Woman's Societies, with 25,398 members.

There are 96 Young Women's Societies, 29 Westminster Guild Chapters, 142 Bands, 179 Cradle Roll Tens, 169 Contributing Sabbath Schools, 401 Young People's or Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor and 106 Home Mission Study Classes. From all sources have come $88,105.76, with appropria-

tions therefrom of $65,160.47 to the current work of our Woman's Board of Home Missions, with $8,154.83 for its debts in 1912–1913. $386 to the beneficent Emergency Fund, and $14,404.46 to Freedmen.

Young Women's Societies and Westminster Guild Chapters, although they suffered loss, show a gratifying growth in societies and chapters.

Bands have decreased, not because the children could not have been gathered together, but for the reason that ears have been dull of hearing and closed to the Master's call "Feed my lambs."

Cradle Roll Tens, even with the loss of the babies in the New England Synod, have decreased by only one roll. Ten babies in a Cradle Roll, think of the number of babies who have not been enrolled from our 927 Presbyterial Churches in the Synod of New York.

There is a saddening, deplorable, shrinkage in the number of contributing Sabbath Schools. There were 281 in 1912 and 169 in 1913. We cannot labor under the delusion that these 112 are lost to us because of the absorption of them by the New England Synodical Society.

We are confronted with the fact that Ministers and Superintendents are neglecting a wonderful opportunity in the training of Sabbath School children along missionary lines of information and systematic giving.

Young People's or Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor have diminished from 467 to 401 organizations. This too is a matter of serious concern to all. Failing to impress the youth of our Churches and communities with the need of their help as such young people, the Church will certainly lose them as they become men and women.

Apparently subscriptions to the *Home Mission Monthly* and to *Over Sea and Land* have fallen below the standard attained in 1912.

Boxes, barrels, and Christmas Cheer have not been lacking and have gone on their errands of good will during 1912 and 1913.

Our debt to the Freedmen has been inadequately paid, and their appeal to us, as Christians, is pathetic and powerful.

We refer again to the amount of money raised through the combined efforts of the various branches of the Woman's Synodical Society of Home Missions of the Synod of New York, $88,105.76. An excellent showing and one for which we are deeply grateful.

Through the figures we can read self-denial, sacrifice and consecration to noble ends.

We can comfort ourselves with the knowledge that more good than we can estimate has been done because of these offerings laid upon the Altar of our God.

Notwithstanding, we cannot fail to realize the sad truth that *far more* might have been accomplished had there come into the hearts of the interested and touched the hearts of the "uninterested," a burning desire—yea, a great longing, to put God to the test, by following His command, given so long ago—"Bring ye all the tithes into the store house that there may be meat in mine house and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

The report was accepted and in connection with it the following action was taken:

The Synod has listened with great interest and pleasure to the report of the Woman's Synodical Society presented to us today and would tender our congratulations to the Society for its continued success in well doing and in advancing the great cause of Home Missions.

The report of the Nominating Committee of the Woman's Synodical Society of Home Missions was presented, accepted and the nominations were ordered printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

The Committee to Nominate the Trustees of Synod reported, recommending the re-election of the following persons as Trustees for the term expiring in 1916: Rev. David G. Wylie, D.D., Rev. A. Cameron MacKenzie, D.D., Elder Rush Taggart, and Elder R. E. Wilcox to serve in place of Elder Thomas Dransfield who declines to serve longer. Also for the term expiring in 1914, Rev. Arthur C. McMillan to serve in place of Rev. Charles S. Lane who has removed from the bounds of the Synod. The report was accepted and they were duly elected by ballot.

On recommendation of the Special Committee on Necrology the following tributes of respect were paid to some veterans of the service who have long labored within the bounds of this Synod:

This meeting of Synod must not pass, without recalling the names of a prominent figure which has passed from among us. Rev. Wilson Phraner, D.D., of the Presbytery of Westchester and for untold time a member of this Synod, was called up higher April 4th, 1913, in the 91st year of his age. Born in 1822, graduated from the University of the city of New York in 1847, entering his Theological course in 1850 and then licensed, ordained and installed pastor of our church at Sing Sing, now Ossining, he served that church as pastor for more than 35 years. In the midst of an illness which threatened his life the relation was dissolved and, he, in search of health, took a long journey to oriental lands which restored him to health and he resumed his activities as a preacher, but more of note, became in fact a home missionary for the Board of Home Missions for the remainder of his life and in his capacity as a member of that Board he yearly visited the Synods and Presbyteries of our church, was a marvel of power to stir up interest and support. Those who attended the General Assembly at Louisville will never forget the most remarkable address he then made in his 90th year in which he handled the figures with the mathematical accuracy and precision of a college boy, making that part of what he said as absorbingly interesting as any part of any masterly oration.

He never was worn out with work. His Presbytery scarce ever met without his familiar face. In this Synod either as a delegate from his Presbytery or as representing the Board of Home Missions, scarce a meeting passed and he not with us.

He served the Master with all his time and with all his nature. No less nor more can be said than that he has gone to his reward and has heard the plaudit, "Well done, good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord!"

Another name, and that of a unique figure in Synod has passed away. Synod for many years past would not have been Synod without the face of Horace Briggs and his name on the roll. He was a toiler among us until August last and then was called home to his reward.

Horace Briggs was born in 1818. He became an educator and was a prominent figure, as such, in the city of Buffalo and as such was one of its most prominent citizens for upwards of 50 years. He received honorary degrees from Rochester University and Williams College. He became Ruling Elder in the First Presbyterian Church of Buffalo in the Presbytery of Buffalo and served as such for 29 years and as Clerk of Session for 21 years. His continuous work as a member of the Presbytery of Buffalo made his service invaluable. It was such experience that qualified him by such continuous service, for the best results. No layman gave himself so uninterruptedly year after year to Synod, as did he. His qualities of head and heart and long acquaintance with affairs was recognized by his presbytery as peculiarly fitting him for the best work in this court of the church.

But far above all other qualities which shone in his life was his joyous life service to the Divine Master in every place and in every hour. And it was a comfort to those who loved him to recognize his fitting for higher service more close to the Lord Himself.

He was an example of the softening effect of riper years and long contact with men, for in the years of his life that we best remember, his judgment of men had so softened, that he seemed to see only the good that was to be found in every one.

Death has also called another man no less distinguished but in another sphere, that of College Education, Rev. Augustus W. Cowles, D.D., so long President of Elmira College, the first College for Women in this country. He was born July 12, 1819, and entered into rest, March 15, 1913. In 1841 he was graduated from Union College. After graduation he taught for a time in Schoharie County and in 1846 completed his theological studies at Union Theological Seminary. He was called to the pastorate of the Brockport Presbyterian Church and remained ten years, when he was called to the Presidency of Elmira College. For nearly sixty years he was connected with that institution as President, active or emeritus. In 1855 he entered on what proved his life work. It was a difficult task, for in the entire educational world there was no institution after which he could pattern. The available funds were small and there were strong prejudices against such an institution. With courage unabated he fought a hard fight but ultimately won success. He was a close student, a finished scholar, an inspiring teacher. He loved study more than all else and his life was a grand success. Many cultivated women today throughout the land rise up and call him blessed. The college education of women has developed all over our land. But Dr. Cowles was the pioneer. The crowning glory of his life was his devotion to truth as he understood it, his perfect loyalty to Christ and his love for his fellowmen. His path through the world was like that of the sun which shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

Also the Synod of New York records its grateful appreciation of the life and service of Rev. William Henry Hubbard, D.D. As the working member of the General Assembly's Executive Commission—the Executive Secretary of that commission—the Secretary of the Joint Committee of the Benevolent and Missionary Boards, and the member from its organization of the Executive Commission of this Synod, Dr. Hubbard gave himself with characteristic energy and effectiveness to promote in every church intelligent and adequate Christian giving.

As a minister of the gospel in the intensity of his devotion to the welfare of the people and especially the relatively poor, he felt their need of having in their lives the joy of christian service, from the giving of their means as they were able and this became his passion, to persuade unto the attainment of this joy in all the churches. He personified intelligent, persuasive zeal for systematic and adequate christian benificence, and always, with such a spirit of charity as to win the confidence of all those who were in any way associated with him. He was in the Presbyterian church and especially in this Synod of New York, a burning and shining light. Praying that the fruit of his labor may abide and increase, the Synod bows humbly to the will of God in calling him home.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly presented the following report which was approved:

Your Committee would report that there are only a few matters to which the attention of the Synod need be called as its most important actions relate to the work of the Presbyteries.

We call attention:

1. To the action of the Assembly in regard to special days, page 91, Resolution 11.

2. Attention is called to the report on Religious Life and Work on pages 283–305 and we urge all the members of Synod to read this most important review of the work of the Church during the past year.

3. Attention is called to the fact that by the action of the Assembly, Synod cannot deal with non-ecclesiastical matters page 268.

4. By resolution of the General Assembly, page 221 Stated Clerks of Synods are made advisory members of the Assembly's Special Committee on the narrative of Christian Life and Work, and Synods are requested to direct their clerks to co-operate with the Committee of the Assembly on the Narrative.

The call to Prayer issued by the Moderator and Stated Clerk of the General Assembly was read to the Synod.

The Committee on Finance presented its report which was adopted and is as follows.

Your Committee has audited the Treasurer's books and accounts, compared the vouchers with the charges and find the same correct and recommend their approval.

The following is the Treasurer's report for the year ending October 1, 1913:

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand		$2471.90
Presbyterial Apportionments	$1,061.49	
Interest	127.92	1,189.41
		$3,661.31

DISBURSEMENTS

Temporary Clerks	$ 40.00	
Committee on Synodical Missions	200.00	
Committee on Brotherhood	35.00	
Gouverneur, Church and Sexton	120.00	
Bond Treasurer of Synodical Missions	20.00	
Synod of New England	76.03	
Manhattan Storage Co	6.00	
Salary Permanent Clerk	150.00	
Salary Stated Clerk	400.00	
Printing Minutes and Postage	221.30	
Postage and Stationery, Stated Clerk	30.50	
Postage and Stationery, Treasurer	9.75	$1,308.58
Balance on hand, October 1, 1913		$2,352.73
Due from Presbytery of Brooklyn		$101.74

Your Committee would recommend:

1. That the expenses of the Special Program Committee incurred in the discharge of its duties, amounting to $16.18, be paid.

2. That an appropriation of twenty dollars be made to the janitor of the Second Presbyterian Church of Auburn.

3. That the assessment for the current fiscal year be at the rate of five mills per communicant.

A recess of five minutes was taken after which the Synod engaged in a half hour devotional service.

Synod then observed the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper according to previous arrangements.

Recess was then taken until 2 o'clock P. M.

THURSDAY, October 23, 2 o'clock P. M.

In the absence of the Moderator and the Vice-Moderator, the last Moderator present, Rev. George C. Yeisley, D.D., took the chair and after prayer, business was resumed.

The report of the Committee on Student Work was presented, accepted and its substance is as follows:

Pursuant to the policy indicated in our former reports and approved by Synod, we have confined our attention to the problems presented by only one of these institutions, Cornell University located at Ithaca. We have had the active co-operation of the Pastor, the Rev. John A. MacIntosh, and of the Session of our Church at Ithaca, and the sympathetic interest of the University Y. M. C. A., and of members of the University Faculty. We have also had the counsel and the help of the Board of Education of the General Assembly.

We are happy in the belief that we have made most substantial progress in the direction of effective care for our more than one thousand Presbyterian students in the educational institutions located at Ithaca. The two most important things to be done at this stage of the work are accomplished facts; the expenses of the work are provided for and an experienced man to take charge of it has been engaged. The Assembly's Board of Education has underwritten the salary of the Student Pastor and the Church of Ithaca has assumed a liberal share of the financial obligation.

Rev. Herbert M. Moore has been secured and will begin his work January 1st. He has had experience in similar work among students at Lawrence University, in Appleton, Wisconsin, and is highly recommended to us as well-endowed and equipped for this task. He will work under the general direction of your committee and the immediate supervision of the Pastor and Session of the Ithaca Church.

Your committee anticipate great spiritual advantage from this arrangement to our large body of Presbyterian youth gathered from all parts of our land within the bounds of this parish and this Synod. We anticipate appreciable results to the Church of Christ from this conscious and active life of these young men and women during these formative years. We are late upon this field of imperative service for these youth, and much precious opportunity has been neglected. But we hope now by faithful and earnest effort to reveal that we at least realize the preciousness of the opportunity and the magnitude of our task.

The arrangement with the Assembly's Board of Education involves the obligation on the part of the Synod and of the Churches of Synod to larger support of the Board. It is a most valuable service that this Board is rendering the Church in its promotion of religious work among our Presbyterian young people in the State and other universities and colleges of the land, notably in the states of Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Kansas, Nebraska. Now it is going to do the same for our youth in this great university in our own State. We ought, therefore, to come to the financial support of the Board to a degree that will adequately show our appreciation of its service and also remove from us the reproach that we are dependent upon the contributions of other Synods for the support of the work within our own.

Your Committee looks forward hopefully to a good year of work at Ithaca under this new arrangement, and also to a more active prosecution of similar work in the other institutions within the Synod.

Addresses were then made by Rev. John A. MacIntosh on Denominational Work in Universities and by Rev. Herbert M. Moore, student pastor at Ithaca.

The following action was then taken:

WHEREAS in accordance with a plan now in operation in other Synods, the Board of Education has proposed a three party contract to be entered into by the Board of Education, the Synod of New York and the First Presbyterian Church of Ithaca regarding work among students in Cornell University and WHEREAS the Board of Education has underwritten the salary of Rev. Herbert M. Moore who will begin the work among the students of Ithaca, therefore, *Resolved:* that Rev. George B. Stewart be authorized to sign a contract for the Synod as a third party to perfect the arrangement above indicated.

Rev. Paul M. Strayer then spoke on the subject "Obstacles in the Way of the Christian Ministry and How to Meet Them."

It was resolved:

That we express our hearty appreciation of the splendid work being done by our women in the broad field of Synodical Home Missions.

We also express the hope that in future arrangements for the meetings of Synod, the Committee may have in mind the thought of having the meetings of the Synod and the Woman's Board as near as possible to one another, if it shall not be entirely practicable to have them under the same roof.

The following resolution of thanks was unanimously adopted:

The Synod of New York desires hereby to express its grateful appreciation of the lavish and generous hospitality of the Second Church and of the good people of Auburn extended to the Synod, and its members during its sessions in this fair city. May the blessing of God rest abundantly upon our hosts in this city.

The Treasurer was authorized to pay the usual bills and salaries.

The several Standing Committees were called and having no further business to present were discharged.

The Committee on Leave of Absence reported that the following members of Synod had been permitted, for adequate reasons, to withdraw before the close of the sessions and the report was accepted.

Presbytery of Albany: *Elders*—Cortland T. Maher, Jr., Jesse S. Mott.
Brooklyn: *Elders*—Charles B. Pearson, G. P. Conard.
Buffalo: *Elder*—Clarence H. Newell.

Champlain: *Minister*—Samuel R. Bigger.
Columbia: *Minister*—James L. Harrington.
Geneva: *Minister*—John S. Niles.
Hudson: *Minister*—E. Van Dyke Wight; *Elder*—Edwin T. Hanford.
Lyons: *Minister*—Francis R. Wade.
St. Lawrence: *Minister*—Frank B. Cowan.
Steuben: *Minister*—Hamilton B. Williams.
Utica: *Ministers*—Philip H. Cole, Charles M. Dodge; *Elders*—Frederick M. Orton, Dewitt C. Hurd.

The Roll was called and the following members were recorded as absent without the permission of the Synod:

Presbytery of Binghamton: *Minister*—H. Lewis Smith.
Brooklyn: *Elder*—W. A. Blauvelt.
Buffalo: *Minister*—Henry Ward.
Chemung: *Minister*—William L. Sawtelle.
Genesee: *Elder*—Frederick B. Gleason.
Geneva: *Elder*—Thomas E. Rippey.
Nassau: *Minister*—Archibald M. Currie.
New York: *Minister*—Henry M. McCracken.
Niagara: *Elder*—William Townsend.
North Laos: *Minister*—Marion B. Palmer.
Rochester: *Minister*—Paul M. Strayer; *Elder*—William A. Stevens.
St. Lawrence: *Minister*—Henry S. Huntington, Jr.; *Elder*—Edward B. Sterling.
Steuben: *Minister*—S. Horace Beshgetour.
Troy: *Minister*—George Fairlee.
Utica: *Minister*—J. Howard Hobbs.
Westchester: *Minister*—Anthony N. Petersen.

The Minutes were read and approved.

Synod then took a recess until 7:45 P. M. in order that the members of Synod might attend the services connected with the installation of Prof. R. H. Nichols, Ph.D., as professor of Church History in Auburn Theological Seminary.

THURSDAY, October 23, 7:45 o'clock P. M.

A popular meeting was held, addresses being made by Prof. Arthur S. Hoyt, D.D., on "The Country Church as a Social Force," and by Rev. John Timothy Stone, D.D., Moderator of the General Assembly on "The City's Responsibility."

Prayer was offered by Rev. Arthur S. Hoyt, D. D.

The remaining minutes were read and approved.

There being no further business the Synod adjourned to meet in the Webb-Horton Memorial Church, Middletown, N. Y., Tuesday, October 20th, 1914, at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

Concluded with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator of the General Assembly.

DANIEL A. FERGUSON,
Permanent Clerk.

ATTEST:

J. WILFORD JACKS,
Stated Clerk.

Appendix

I. REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERIES

I. **The Presbytery of Albany** consists of seventy-one ministers, forty-nine churches and has under its care one licentiate and two candidates.

Ministers received:

December 10, 1912, Rev. Walter D. Strangeway from the Presbytery of Albany, U. P. Church; Rev. William C. Falconer from the Presbytery of Chemung; Rev. Alfio Minutilla, D.D., from the Presbytery of Cleveland;

April 15, 1913, Rev. Nicola Conte and Rev. John J. Cameron from the Presbytery of St. Lawrence; Rev. Geo. M. Gordon from the Presbytery of Cayuga; Rev. Thomas R. Good from the Presbytery of Denver; Rev. Harry E. Coombs from the Presbytery of Troy;

September 16, Rev. C. Otis Thatcher from the Presbytery of Utica; Rev. Louis F. Mayle from the Presbytery of Rochester.

Candidates taken under care of Presbytery:

April 15, 1913, Elmer W. K. Mould;

June 17, Harold E. Hollister and Samuel McCrea Cavert.

Candidates licensed:

June 17, 1913, Elmer W. K. Mould.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

May 31, 1913, Between Rev. Norman McLeod and the New Scotland Church;

June 30, between Rev. Henry G. Dean and the Tribes Hill Church.

Installations:

January 2, 1913, Rev. Walter D. Strangeway over the Jermain Memorial Church, Watervliet;

April 22, Rev. Thomas R. Good over the Union Church, Schenectady;

May 9, Rev. Geo. M. Gordon over the Emmanuel Church, Amsterdam;

June 26, Rev. Harry E. Coombs over the Princetown Church;

September 22, Rev. Louis F. Mayle over the Albany West End Church.

Ministers dismissed:

September 16, 1913, Rev. Isaac C. Bates to the Presbytery of North River.

Stated Supplies appointed:

December 10, 1912, Rev. Wm. C. Falconer over the Galway and West Galway Churches;

September 16, 1913, Rev. C. Otis Thatcher over the Batchellerville Church; Rev. John J. Cameron over the Carlisle Church.

II. **The Presbytery of Binghamton** consists of thirty-eight ministers, thirty-two churches and has under its care one candidate.

Ministers received:

November 26, 1912, Rev. Carl Wadsworth Scovel from the Presbytery of Lyons;

December 5, Rev. Arnold W. Bloomfield from the Susquehanna Congregational Association;

April 21, 1913, Rev. Wilson A. Eisenhart from the Presbytery of Hudson; Rev. John Jenkins Francis, D.D., from the Presbytery of Genesee;

April 29, Rev. Samuel A. Johnson from the Presbytery of Gunnison;

September 16, Rev. Leon S. Lacey from the Presbytery of Lyons.

Licentiates received:

April 22, 1913, Joseph T. Curtin from the Wyoming Methodist Conference;

April 29, H. Lewis Smith from the Presbytery of Washington.

Ordinations:

April 29, 1913, H. Lewis Smith;

June 17, Joseph T. Curtin.

Ministers dismissed:

December 23, 1912, Rev. Robert B. Perine to the Presbytery of St. Lawrence;

Rev. Louis M. Lawrence to the Presbytery of Niagara;

April 21, 1913, Rev. John F. Shaw, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia;

September 16, Rev. Edgar P. Carson to the Presbytery of New York.

Name of candidate dropped:

September 16, 1913, Benjamin B. Milnes.

Installations:

November 26, 1912, Rev. Carl Wadsworth Scovel over the Church at Cortland;

December 5, Rev. Arnold W. Bloomfield over the Owego-Union Church;

April 29, 1913, Rev. H. Lewis Smith over the Immanuel Church of Binghamton;

June 17, Rev. Joseph T. Curtin over the Church at Nineveh.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

December 23, 1912, between Rev. Robert B. Perine and the Immanuel Church of Binghamton;

September 16, 1913, between Rev. Edgar P. Carson and the Church at Hancock.

Ministers deceased:

October 10, 1912, Rev. Henry G. Margetts, aged 76 years;

November 8, Rev. William H. Sawtelle, aged 78½ years.

III. **The Presbytery of Brooklyn** consists of ninety-five ministers, forty-eight churches and has under its care two licentiates and sixteen candidates.

Ministers received:

November 11, 1912, Rev. R. A. Waggoner from the Presbytery of Monmouth; Rev. R. MacQuesten from the Presbytery of Newark;

November 25, Rev. R. R. Greenwood from the Congregational Church in Australia;

January 27, 1913, Rev. H. C. Weber from the So. Classis of Long Island; Rev. R. K. Hickok from the Presbytery of Buffalo; Rev. Jos. Zaidan from the Presbytery of Wheeling;

March 24, Rev. Chas. C. Albertson, D.D., from the Presbytery of Rochester;

May 14, Rev. B. K. Apelian from the Congreational Association of Oberlin;

September 22, Rev. J. F. Riggs, Jr., from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange;

June 23, Rev. M. C. Bowie, from the Presbyterian Church of Scotland.

Candidates taken under care of Presbytery:

March 24, 1913, Merrill F. Clarke; Alfred D'Alberti; J. Patafio;

September 22, Fred Allen.

Candidate received:

November 25, 1912, Paul F. Boller from Jersey City Presbytery.

Candidates licensed:

March 24, 1913, Paul F. Boller, H. R. Campbell, L. W. Stephens;

May 23, John S. Carlile.

Licentiate transferred:

June 23, 1913, L. M. Bicknell to the Presbytery of Olympia.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

November 25, 1912, between Rev. A. E. Barrows and Wyckoff Heights Church;

May 26, 1913, between Rev. F. L. Brown and Woodhaven Church.

Ordinations:

March 24, 1913, T. C. R. Horsfield and L. W. Stephens;

May 14, P. F. Boller;

May 16, H. R. Campbell.

Installations:

May 14, 1913, Rev. F. F. Boller over the Bensonhurst Church;

May 6, Rev. Chas. C. Albertson, D.D., over Lafayette Avenue Church;

May 16, Rev. H. R. Campbell over St. Albans Church;

May 22, Rev. B. K. Apelian over Wyckoff Heights Church.

Ministers dismissed:

November 11, 1912, H. B. Roberts to the Presbytery of Westchester; Rev. E. F. Eastman to the No. Classis of Long Island;

November 25, J. C. Oettinger to the Presbytery of Long Island; Rev. A. E. Barrows to the Presbytery of Washington;

January 27, 1913, G. C. Edson to the Classis of Bergen; Rev. C. B. McAfee, D.D., to the Presbytery of Chicago; Rev. T. C. McClelland to the Presbytery of North River; Rev. C. R. Nugent to the Presbytery of Houston;

March 24, 1913, Rev. P. L. Schenck to the Middlesex South Association Congregational;

April 28, Rev. L. W. Stephens to the Presbytery of South Battleford;

May 26, Rev. F. L. Brown to the Presbytery of Indiana;

June 23, Rev. E. B. Shaw to the Presbytery of Hudson.

Names dropped from the roll:

January 27, 1913, J. W. McCombe;

May 24, K. S. Guthrie at his own request;

September 22, Candidate C. H. Berry, at his own request.

Deceased:

December 9, 1912, Rev. Benjamin G. Benedict, aged 74.

IV. **The Presbytery of Buffalo** consists of sixty-six ministers and fifty-six churches, and has under its care one licentiate and four candidates.

Ministers received:

January 20, 1913, Rev. H. B. Boyd, from the Presbytery of Fort Worth;

April 21, Rev. W. A. Carrington from the Presbytery of Wellsborough;

September 29, Rev. D. M. Geddes, from the Presbytery of Niagara; Rev. R. G. Leetch, from the Presbytery of Nassau; Rev. B. R. Larabee from the Presbytery of Rochester.

Pastoral relation dissolved:

October 17, 1913, Rev. Ralph K. Hickok and the church at East Aurora, N. Y.

Ordinations:

June 26, 1913, A. B. Fowler;

October 29, A. V. V. Raymond, Jr.

Installations:

October 17, 1912, Rev. M. S. Howland over the Lafayette Ave. Church;

October 29, Rev. A. V. V. Raymond, Jr., over the church at South Wales;

May 6, 1913, Rev. W. A. Carrington over the church at Akron;

September 21, Rev. H. B. Boyd, over the church at Olean;

October 24, Rev. F. Hyatt Smith over the church at Kenmore.

Ministers dismissed:

January 20, 1913, Rev. Ralph K. Hickok to the Presbytery of Brooklyn;

April 21, Rev. Wm. F. Scoular to the Presbytery of Niagara; Rev. S. U. Mock to the Presbytery of Genesee.

Candidate transferred:

April 21, 1913, Julius Kish to Presbytery of Kittanning.

Church enrolled:

January 20, 1913, Union Presbyterian Church, Blasdell, N. Y.

Ministers deceased:

April 21, 1913, Rev. John W. Stitt, pastor of South Church;
September 29, Rev. Fred'k C. Suits pastor of Clarence Church.

Miscellaneous:

January 20, 1913, Dissolution of First Presbyterian Church of Blasdell, N. Y.; N. P. Clement elected treasurer in place of S. M. Clement, deceased.

V. **The Presbytery of Cayuga** consists of thirty-nine ministers, twenty-two churches, and has under its care five licentiates and eleven candidates.

Ministers received:

November 19, 1912, Rev. Asa S. Fiske, D.D., from the Presbytery of Washington City; Rev. John A. MacIntosh from the Presbytery of Champlain;
May 5, 1913, Rev. Plato T. Jones from the Presbytery of Lehigh;
July 15, Rev. Charles J. Howell from the Presbytery of Utica.

Candidates taken under care of Presbytery:

February 28, 1913, Lucian W. Scott, Arthur E. Harper, H. Roe Cloud, O. B. Willi;
March 17, Albert J. Thomas;
April 15, John Romolo;
October 1, Wm. L. Huntsman, Stuart K. Beecher, Kenneth J. McLennan, Francesco De Simone, Ralph E. DeKay, John D. Finlayson, Stanley Smith.

Candidates licensed:

April 15, 1913, A. O. Caldwell, H. Roe Cloud, Lucian W. Scott, Arthur E. Harper, Edward W. Robinson, S. F. MacDonald, O. B. Willi, Carl Franz.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

May 5, 1913, between the Rev. Albert B. Scofield and Meridian;
June 17, between the Rev. Theodore J. Searls and Genoa 2d;
June 24, between the Rev. Ansley B. Blades and Springport;
July 15, between the Rev. Robert Ivey and Genoa 1st.

Ordinations:

May 5, 1913, Henry Roe Cloud;
May 8, Albert O. Caldwell, Howard V. Yergin.

Installation:

December 18, 1912, Rev. John A. MacIntosh over the church at Ithaca.

Ministers dismissed:

February 28, 1913, Rev. Walter B. Jorris to the Presbytery of Rochester;

March 17, Rev. George M. Gordon to the Presbytery of Albany;
April 14, Rev. J. H. McConnell to the Central Association of Congregational Churches of New York;
June 17, Rev. Theodore J. Searls to the Presbytery of St. Lawrence;
June 24, Rev. Ansley B. Blades to the Presbytery of Marion;
July 15, Rev. Robert Ivey, Ph.D., to the Presbytery of Atlanta in the Southern Presbyterian Church;
October 1, Rev. Charles J. Howell to the Presbytery of Syracuse; Rev. Albert B. Scofield to the Presbytery of Steuben.

Licentiates transferred:

November 19, 1912, Taliesin Davis to the Presbytery of Lackawanna;
March 17, 1913, James T. Mordy to the Presbytery of Wichita;
October 1, Carl E. Franz to the Chippewa Presbytery; Deane Edwards to Geneva Presbytery.

Death:

January 31, 1913, Rev. William H. Hubbard, D.D., LL.D.

VI. **The Presbytery of Champlain** consists of fifteen ministers and twenty-one churches and has under its care two candidates for the ministry.

Ministers received:

February 5, 1913, Rev. John R. Duffield from the Classis of Poughkeepsie, Reformed Church in America.

Candidate taken under care of Presbytery:

September 16, 1913, John H. Gardner, Jr.

Installation:

February 5, 1913, Rev. John R. Duffield over the Church at Malone.

Ministers dismissed:

June 23, 1913, Rev. George A. Jameson, M.D., to the Presbytery of Niagara;
September 17, Rev. Charles Hall Schneegas to the Classis of Rensselaer, Reformed Church in America.

Miscellaneous:

April 8, 1913, Mr. Charles M. Hopkins, Keeseville, was elected treasurer in place of Mr. H. Walworth Cady, resigned.

VII. **The Presbytery of Chemung** consists of twenty ministers, twenty-one churches and has under its care two candidates.

Minister received:

June 17, 1913, Rev. James W. White from the Milwaukee Congregational Association.

Candidates taken under care of Presbytery:

April 21, 1913, Orville C. Jones, Rachel Gleason Brooks.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

July 15, 1913, between Rev. Courtland C. Van Deusen and the Churches of Montour Falls and Moreland;

September 16, between the Rev. Alfred T. Vail and the Church at Big Flats; between the Rev. Oliphant Gibbons and the Church of Spencer.

Ministers dismissed:

April 21, 1913, Rev. Charles H .Van Wie to the Presbytery of Riverside;

September 16, Rev. Alfred T. Vail to the Presbytery of Syracuse, and Rev. Warren J. Whiffen to the Presbytery of Albany.

Minister deceased:

March 15, 1913, Rev. Augustus W. Cowles, D.D., LL.D., aged 95.

VIII. **The Presbytery of Chile** consists of nineteen ministers, fifteen churches and has under it eighteen licentiates and local evangelists and three candidates.

IX. **The Presbytery of Columbia** consists of seventeen ministers, seventeen churches and has under its care one candidate.

Minister received:

April 15, 1913, Rev. James Hewitt from the Baptist Church.

Ministers dismissed:

April 15, 1913, Rev. Ernest G. Wood to the Presbytery of Chicago; Rev. David B. Minor to the Presbytery of New York.

Name dropped from the roll:

September 16, 1913, Rev. Frederick S. Campbell having become a Christian Scientist.

Churches dissolved:

April 15, 1913, Livingstonville and West Durham.

Minister deceased:

June 9, 1913, Rev. Chester C. Thorne at Windham in his eighty-second year.

X. **The Presbytery of Eastern Persia** consists of thirteen ministers and four churches.

XI. **The Presbytery of Genesee** consists of twenty-three ministers, and eighteen churches, and has one candidate under its care.

Ministers received:

March 26, 1913, Rev. John R. Kay, from the Presbytery of Bruce, Canada;

April 14, Rev. Stanley U. Mock from the Presbytery of Buffalo; Rev. J. Van Kirk Wells from the Presbytery of Syracuse.

Pastoral relation dissolved:

Nov. 25, 1912, between the Rev. William M. Gardner and the Church at Batavia.

Installations:

November 11, 1912, Rev. George D. Miller, D.D., over the church at Warsaw;
March 26, 1913, Rev. John R. Kay, over the church at Bergen;
May 14, Rev. Stanley U. Mock over the Church at Batavia;
May 18, Rev. J. Van Kirk Wells over the Church at North Bergen.

Ministers dismissed:

September 24, 1912, Rev. Farley Porter to the Presbytery of Lyons.
November 25, Rev. William M. Gardner to the Presbytery of Wichita.
April 2, 1913, Rev. John Junkin Francis, D.D., to the Presbytery of Binghamton.

XII. **The Presbytery of Geneva** consists of twenty-eight ministers and twenty churches and has under its care three candidates.

Minister received:

April 15, 1913, Rev. Hiram H. Kellogg from the Presbytery of Rochester.

Candidates taken under care of Presbytery:

September 16, 1913, Samuel A. Page and G. Howard Mickelson.

Licentiate received:

October 30, 1913, Deane Edwards from the Presbytery of Cayuga.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

May 23, 1913, between Rev. William P. Schell and the Church of Seneca Falls.

October 7, between Rev. George Nicholls and the Church of Dresden.

Ordination:

October 30, 1913, Deane Edwards.

Installation:

October 30, 1913, Rev. Deane Edwards over the Church of Seneca Falls.

XIII. **The Presbytery of Hudson** consists of forty-five ministers, forty-seven churches and has under its care two candidates.

Ministers Received:

November 7, 1912, Rev. Francis M. Line from Newton Presbytery;
June 12, 1913, Rev. Floris Fermerda from the Classsis of New Brunswick: Rev. Edward R. Krenijenga from the Classis of Raritan;
September 16, Rev. Edward B. Shaw from Brooklyn Presbytery.

Candidate received under care of Presbytery:

April 22, 1913, Walter Lowry Ritter from Philadelphia Presbytery.

Licentiate received:

October 9, 1912, Ralph W. Rowland from Jersey City Presbytery.

Candidate licensed:

June 12, 1913, Walter L. Ritter.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

November 7, 1912, between Rev. Wilson A. Eisenhart and the Monroe Church;

December 2, between Rev. Herbert Ford and the Palisades Church;

January 13, 1913, between Rev. William B. Johnson and the Hamptonburgh Church;

June 12, between Rev. Thomas Burns and the Florida Church;

September 16, between Rev. Chas. A. White and the Milford Pa. Church.

Ordinations:

October 9, 1912, George Scofield.

November 7, Ralph W. Rowland;

April 22, 1913, A. Mason Brown;

June 12, Walter Lowry Ritter.

Installations:

October 10, 1912, Theophilus E. Montgomery over the Hempstead Church.

December 18, Rev. Ralph W. Rowland over the Circleville Church;

June 12, 1913, Rev. Walter Lowry Ritter, over the Amity Church;

June 19, Rev. Floris Fermerda over Hamptonburgh Church;

June 23, Rev. A. Mason Brown over the Livingston Manor Church;

June 25, Rev. Edward R. Krenijenga over the Port Jervis Church

Ministers dismissed:

November 7, 1912, Rev. Wilson A. Eisenhart to Binghamton Presbytery;

December 2, Rev. Herbert Ford to the Congregational Association of Essex County, N. Y.;

January 13, 1913, Rev. William B. Johnson to Newton Presbytery; Rev. John W. Hoyt to South Oregon Presbytery;

April 22, Rev. W. M. Jack to Champlain Presbytery;

June 12, Rev. Thos. Burns to Wichita Presbytery;

September 15, Rev. Ernest Hansel to Newton Presbytery.

Deaths:

November 4, 1912, Rev. Jos. J. McMahon;

January 27, 1913, Rev. Henry A. Harlow;

September 11, Rev. Robert H. Craig, LL.D.

XIV. **The Presbytery of Long Island** consists of twenty-nine ministers and twenty-three churches and has under its care two licentiates and one candidate.

Minister received:

April 15, 1913, Rev. C. N. Miller Mackay, from the Presbytery of Dayton.

Minister dismissed:

September 9, 1913, Rev. Frank H. Allen to the Denver Association of Congregational Churches.

Death:

April 18, 1913, at Bristol, R. I., Rev. Henry Ludlow Teller, H.R., aged 74.

XV. **The Presbytery of Lyons** consists of nineteen ministers and eighteen churches.

Ministers received:

April 8, 1913, Rev. William H. Niles from the Presbytery of Otsego; Rev. Farley Porter from the Presbytery of Genesee; Rev. Cyrus M. Creighton from the Presbytery of Los Angeles;

May 20, Rev. Thomas C. Bell from the Presbytery of Steuben.

Pastoral Relations dissolved

October 8, 1912, between Rev. Carl W. Scovel and Park Church, Newark;

June 2, 1913, between Rev. Leon S. Lacy and the Sodus Center Church.

Installations:

April 24, 1913, Rev. Cyrus M. Creighton over the Park Church, Newark;

May 20, Rev. Thomas C. Bell over the Ontario Church.

Ministers dismissed:

October 8, 1912, Rev. Carl W. Scovel to the Presbytery of Binghamton;

June 2, 1913, Rev. Leon S. Lacey to the Presbytery of Binghamton.

Church dissolved:

September 16, 1913, the Church at Joy.

XVI. **The Presbytery of Nassau** consists of twenty-nine ministers, thirty churches and has under its care one candidate.

Ministers received:

January 23, 1913, Rev. John Milton Thompson, D.D., from the Presbytery of Troy;

June 2, Rev. Gottlieb Reusch from Maryland Classis of the Reformed Church. Candidate taken under care of Presbytery:

October 1, 1912, Daniel H. Overton, Jr.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

December 2, 1912, Rev. Eugene F. Burger and the New Hyde Park Church.

December 31, between Rev. Herman G. Blaschke and the Jamaica German Church;

Installations:

January 23, 1913, Rev. John Milton Thompson, D.D., over the Sage Memorial Church, Far Rockaway;

September 2, Rev. Gottlieb Ruesch over the New Hyde Park Church.

Ministers dismissed:

December 2, 1912, Rev. Eugene F. Burger to the Classis of New York, Reformed Church;

January 2, 1913, Rev. Robert G. Leetch, to the Presbytery of Buffalo;
June 2, Rev. Jesse Halsey to the Presbytery of Cincinnati.

Church organized:

October 8, 1912, First Church of Massapequa, N. Y.

Deceased:

May 1, 1913, Rev. Charles Herbert Scholey.

XVII. **The Presbytery of New York** consists of one hundred and ninety-five ministers, fifty-nine churches, three licentiates and eighteen candidates.

Ministers received:

January 13, 1913, Rev. Samuel Millar from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange; Rev. Warren Elsing from the Presbytery of El Paso; Rev. E. Blake McDonald from the Presbytery of Detroit; Rev. Joseph Giardina from the Presbytery of Newark; Rev. Paul D. Elsesser from the French Evangelical Church of Boston; Rev. Jay S. Stowell from the Broadway Tabernacle;

March 10, Rev. George E. Sehlbrede from the Presbytery of Beaver;

April 14, Rev. Dubois H. Loux, Ph.D., from Hartford South Congregational Association;

June 9, Rev. Agostino Mangiacapra from the Presbytery of Troy; Rev. Harvey G. Furbay, Ph.D., from the Presbytery of Helena; Rev. Henry Forman from the Presbytery of Allahabad, India; Rev. David B. Minor from the Presbytery of Columbia;

October 6, Rev. Joseph Brunn from the Presbytery of Lehigh; Rev. John G. Davey, D.D., from the Presbytery of Newark; Rev. Daniel H. Martin, D.D., from the Presbytery of Troy.

Candidates taken under care of Presbytery:

March 10, 1913, Phillip S. Bird;

October 6, James M. Howard; Ernest J. Weekes; Albert J. Murphy; Wm. Neeley Ross; B. Y. Spare; Lyman R. Heartly.

Licentiate received:

May 18, 1913, Warren J. Conrad from the Presbytery of Philadelphia, North.

Candidate licensed:

April 14, 1913, Phillip S. Bird; Chalmers Holbrook; Tertius van Dyke; John A. Murray, Jr.; Jaochin Glazko; Louis Jose Santiage Cabrera;
June 9, Bayard Dodge.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

November 15, 1912, between William H. Foulkes, D.D., and Rutgers Church;
February 1, 1913, between Francis E. Marsten, D.D., and Bethany Church.

Ordinations:

January 27, 1913, Seth C. Craig as an evangelist;

April 23, Chalmers Holbrook as an evangelist; John A. Murray, Jr., as an evangelist;

May 1, Samuel Glover Dunseath as an evangelist;
May 11, Phillip S. Bird as an evangelist;
May 15, Joachin Glazko as an evangelist;
May 18, Tertius van Dyke as an evangelist;
June 15, Warren J. Conrad as an evangelist; Louis Jose Santiago Cabrera as an evangelist.

Installation:

January 29, 1913, Rev. Paul D. Elsesser over the French Evangelical Church.

Ministers dismissed:

November 25, 1912, Rev. John Carpenter Palmer, D.D., to the Presbytery of Washington City;
January 13, 1913, Rev. Wm. C. Stinson, D.D., to the Presbytery of Chillicothe, Ohio;
May 18, Rev. James Albert Patterson to the Presbytery of Erie;
June 9, Rev. John H. Elliott to the Presbytery of Chicago; Rev. Harold S. Davidson to the Grafton-Orange Association of Congregational Ministers, New Hampshire; Rev. Warren Elsing to the Presbytery of Wellsboro; Rev. J. M. Stick to the Presbytery of Baltimore; Rev. Chalmers Holbrook to the Congregational Church at Deerfield Centre, New Hampshire.
October 6, Rev. Jose Louis Santiago Cabrera to the Presbytery of Porto Rico; Rev. Andrew Ivanyshyn to Ruthenian Baptist Church, Scranton, Pa.

Candidates transferred:

April 8, 1913, John J. Romolo to the Presbytery of Cayuga;
July 3, Dumont Clark to the Presbytery of Chicago.

Name dropped from the roll:

June 9, 1913, Rev. Horace G. Miller.

Churches enrolled:

December 6, 1912, Hunts' Point Presbyterian Church;
January 5, 1913, Woodlawn Heights Presbyterian Church;
January 13, Van Nest Presbyterian Church;
March 27, Fort Washington Presbyterian Church.

Ministers deceased:

December 13, Rev. Alex. W. Sproull, D.D., at Newton, N. J., age 85;
February 3, 1913, Rev. Conrad D'Oench at Brooklyn, age 76;
May 9, Rev. Leander T. Chamberlain, D.D., at Pasedena, Cal., age 76;
July 16, Rev. H. Roswell Bates at Cuzco, Peru, age 43.

Churches dissolved:

June 1, 1913, Mt. Tabor Church;
June 9, German Second Church.

XVIII. **The Presbytery of Niagara** consists of eighteen ministers and twenty-four churches and has under its care one licentiate and one candidate.

Ministers received:

January 21, 1913, Rev. Godfrey Chobot from the Presbytery of Utica;
April 21, Rev. Louis M. Lawrence from the Presbytery of Binghamton; Rev. Robert Duncan from the Presbytery of St. Lawrence;
April 22, Rev. Wm. F. Scoular from the Presbytery of Buffalo;
June 14, Rev. George A. Jameson, M.D., from the Presbytery of Champlain;
September 22, Rev. Seymour C. Ferris from the Presbytery of Rochester.

Candidate taken under care of Presbytery:

September 22, 1913, Roy McGowan of the Youngstown Church.

Candidate licensed:

April 21, 1913, F. Di Giacomo, Worker among the Italians at Lockport.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

December 1, 1912, betewen Rev. Ruben L. Gress and the Modeltown Church;
Ferbruary 7, 1913, between Rev. D. W. McCluer and the Niagara Falls, Third;
April 28, between Rev. D. M. Geddes and the Youngstown Church;
July 20, between Rev. Grant Merchant and the Barre Centre Church.

Installations:

October 8, 1912, Rev. Peter Birrell over the Church at Wilson; Rev. George C. Noetling over the Church at Lewiston;
January 22, 1913, Rev. Godfrey Chobot over the Church at Albion;
May 13, Rev. Wm. F. Scoular over the Church at N. Tonawanda;
May 20, Rev. L. M. Lawrence over the Church at Holley.

Ministers dismissed:

February 7, 1913, Rev. D. W. McCluer to the Presbytery of Monroe;
April 21, Rev. Thomas C. Melvin to the Presbytery of Steuben;
Rev. D. M. Geddes to the Presbytery of Buffalo;
June 3, Rev. R. J. Campbell to the Presbytery of Yorkton, Canada;
July 14, Rev. Edward L. Tiffany to the Presbytery of Syracuse; Rev. Grant Merchant to the Presbytery of Columbia River;
July 21, Rev. Ruben L. Gress to the Presbytery of Neosho.

Ministers deceased:

December 6, 1912, Corliss B. Gardner at Spencerport, age 83;
June 16, Edwin P. Marvin, South Ridge.

XIX. **The Presbytery of North Laos** consists of seventeen ministers, twenty-three churches and has under its care one licentiate and ten candidates.

XX. **The Presbytery of North River** consists of forty-two ministers, thirty churches and has under its care three candidates.

Ministers received:

April 21, 1913, Rev. Calvin McClelland, D.D., from the Presbytery of Brooklyn;

May 14, Rev. Forest W. Beers, Ph.D., from the Suffolk Congregational Association;

October 6, Rev. Isaac C. Bates from the Presbytery of Albany;

January 8, Rev. Edward I. Campbell by letter returned.

Candidates received:

October 8, 1912, Henry Martyn Woods;

April 21, 1913, Joseph W. Babbitt.

Candidate licensed:

April 21, 1913, Joseph W. Babbitt.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

April 21, 1913, between Rev. Wallace W. Gushee and the Pleasant Plains Church;

June 16, between Rev. Hugh Russell Fraser and the Cornwall Church;

July 13, between Rev. Roscoe C. Wright, Ph.D., and the Lloyd Church, Highland;

October 7, between Rev. Raymond H. Stearns and the Church at Pleasant Valley.

Ordinations;

October 8, 1912, Arthur Worthington, LL.D.;

May 14, 1913, Joseph W. Babbitt.

Installations:

October 8, 1912, Rev. Arthur Worthington, LL.D., over the Church at New Hamburgh;

May 14, 1913, Rev. Joseph W. Babbitt, over Calvary Church, Newburgh;

May 22, Rev. Forrest W. Beers, Ph.D., over South Amenia Church.

Ministers dismissed:

April 21, 1913, Rev. Wallace W. Gushee to the Presbytery of Mankato;

June 16, Rev. Edward I. Campbell to the Presbytery of Utica; Rev. Hugh Russell Fraser to the Presbytery of Rochester;

October 6, Rev. John A. Terhune to the Classis of Paramus; Rev. William M. Dauerty to the Presbytery of Monmouth.

Ministers deceased:

January 26, 1913, Rev. Jesse F. Shafer at Newburgh, aged 84 years;

April 3, Rev. Julius Straus, at Poughkeepsie, aged 86 years.

XXI. **The Presbytery of Otsego** consists of thirty-one ministers and thirty-one churches and has under its care one candidate.

Ministers received:

January 20, 1913, Rev. William McNair Kittredge from the Presbytery of Chippewa;

April 21, Rev. Frank W. Townsend from the Presbytery of Utica; Rev. Thomas Parker from the Presbytery of Kearney;
May 13, Rev. Harvey E. Kilmer from the Presbytery of St. Lawrence;
September 16, Rev. Henry Hansman from the Presbytery of Troy.

Licentiates received:

June 12, 1913, C. Carson Bransby from the Presbytery of Pittsburgh.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

December 11, 1912, between Rev. Frank E. Hoyt and the Meridale Church;
March 24, 1913, between Rev. William H. Niles and the New Berlin Church;
April 9, between Rev. David F. Giles and the Milford Church;
April 21, between Rev. Edwin N. Kline and the E. Meredith Church;
September 16, between Rev. Albert C. Salls and the Guilford Center Church.

Ordinations:

June 12, 1913, C. Carson Bransby.

Installations:

October 16, 1912, Rev. Robert Hughes over the Middlefield Center Church;
February 4, 1913, Rev. William McNair Kittredge over the Second Church of Delhi;
May 13, Rev. Frank W. Townsend over the Unadilla Church;
June 12, Rev. C. Carson Bransby over the Margaretville Church;
June 17, Rev. Harvey E. Kilmer over the Hamden Church;
September 24, Rev. Henry Hansman over the E. Meredith Church.

Dismissions:

December 11, 1912, Rev. Frank E. Hoyt to the Steuben Presbytery;
January 20, 1913, Rev. Howell Davies to the Monmouth Presbytery;
March 24, Rev. William H. Niles to the Lyons Presbytery;
April 9, Rev. David F. Giles to the St. Lawrence Presbytery;
April 16, Rev. Joseph H. Hunsberger to the Florida Presbytery;
June 5, Rev. Thomas Turnbull to the Cleveland Presbytery.

Deceased:

January 2, 1913, Rev. Randall Pease;
August, 1913, Rev. J. Clinton Worden.

XXII. **The Presbytery of Porto Rico** consists of fourteen ministers, thirty churches and has under its care two licentiates and seventeen candidates.

XXIII. **The Presbytery of Rochester** consists of sixty-six ministers, fifty-one churches, and has under its care two candidates.

Ministers received:

April 14, 1913, Rev. James S. Root from the Presbytery of Niagara; Rev. Walter B. Jorris from the Presbytery of Cayuga; Rev. John Hutchison from the Presbytery of Philadelphia;

May 19, Rev. Henry H. Barstow from the Presbytery of Westchester;
September 22, Rev. Hugh Russell Fraser from the Presbytery of North River; Rev. Almon C. Dodge from the Presbytery of Newton; Rev. Sarkis O. Kerian from an Ecclesiastical Council of Congreational Churches at New Haven, Conn.

Licentiate received:

October 10, 1912, George H. Allen, Jr., from the Presbytery of Utica.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

March 16, 1913, between Rev. Charles C. Albertson, D.D., and the Central Church of Rochester;
April 15, between Rev. William Sangree and the First Church of Sparta;
June 23, between Rev. Louis F. Mayle and the Church of Groveland;
July 7, between Rev. Benjamin R. Larrabee and the Livonia Church.

Ordination:

December 3, 1912, George H. Allen, Jr.

Installations:

December 3, 1912, Rev. George H. Allen, Jr., over the Church of Brockport;
April 15, 1913, Rev. Walter B. Jorris, over Grace Church, Rochester;
September 13, Rev. Henry H. Barstow over Westminster Church, Rochester.

Ministers dismissed:

October 10, 1912, Rev. John B. Funnell to the Presbytery of Huron;
March 21, 1913, Rev. Charles C. Albertson, D.D., to the Presbytery of Brooklyn;
June 23, Rev. Louis F. Mayle to the Presbytery of Albany;
July 7, Rev. Benjamin R. Larrabee to the Presbytery of Buffalo;
September 22, Rev. William Sangree to the Presbytery of Steuben; Rev. Seymour C. Ferris, to the Presbytery of Niagara.

Candidate transferred:

September 23, 1913, William W. Astels to the Presbytery of Nashville.

Name dropped from the roll:

September 23, 1913, Rev. Harvey Clements.

Ministers deceased:

January 5, 1913, Rev. Newton J. Conklin;
January 7, Rev. Emerson G. Wicks.

XXIV. **The Presbytery of St. Lawrence** consists of thirty-two ministers, thirty-five churches and has under its care one candidate.

Ministers received:

April 15, 1913, Rev. David F. Giles from the Presbytery of Otsego; Rev. Robert B. Perine from the Presbytery of Binghamton;
September 30, Rev. Theodore J. Searls from the Presbytery of Cayuga.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

December 27, 1912, between Rev. Robert Duncan and the Church at Cape Vincent;

April 7, 1913, between Rev. Frank Willcock and the Church at Sacketts Harbor;

April 16, between Rev. Harvey E. Kilmer and the Church at Dexter;

August 25, between Rev. Almon T. Fuller and the Church at Brownville.

Ordinations:

April 15, 1913, Harry F. Smith at Potsdam;

June 3, Arthur W. Chafee at Morristown;

June 5, William C. Watson at Watertown.

Installations:

October 18, 1912, Rev. Darwin F. Pickard over Watertown First Church;

April 29, 1913, Rev. Robert B. Perine over the Church at Carthage;

May 29, Rev. David F. Giles over the Church at Cape Vincent.

Ministers dismissed:

December 16, 1912, Rev. John J. Cameron to the Presbytery of Albany; Rev. Victor Herbert Lukens to the Presbytery of New Brunswick;

April 7, 1913, Rev. Frank Willcock to the Presbytery of Monmouth;

April 14, Rev. Nicola Conte to the Presbytery of Albany;

April 16, Rev. Harvey E. Kilmer to the Presbytery of Otsego;

May 12, Rev. Robert Duncan to the Presbytery of Niagara;

July 1, Rev. William C. Watson to the Presbytery of New Castle;

August 25, Rev. Almon T. Fuller to the Presbytery of Otsego;

September 30, Rev. John V. Axtell to the Presbytery of Cleveland.

Candidates transferred:

January 1, 1913, Frank S. Niles to the Presbytery of Newark; Frank Nathan to the Presbytery of Chicago.

XXV. **The Presbytery of Siam** consists of fourteen ministers, thirteen churches and has under its care twelve licentiates and local evangelists.

XXVI. **The Presbytery of Steuben** consists of twenty-eight ministers and twenty-six churches.

Ministers received:

November 14, 1912, Rev. Elmer J. Stuart from the Presbytery of Utica;

April 22, 1913, Rev. Frank E. Hoyt from the Presbytery of Otsego; Rev. Thomas Melvin from the Presbytery of Niagara;

September 26, Rev. William Sangree from the Presbytery of Rochester.

Pastoral relation dissolved:

April 22, 1913, between Rev. Thomas C. Bell and the Church at Pulteney.

Installations:

October 3, 1912, Rev. William H. Simmons over the Church at Atlanta;
October 22, Rev. John R. Fraser over the Church at Avoca;
November 14, Rev. S. Horace Beshgetour over the Church at Cohocton;
November 19, Rev. Elmer J. Stuart over the Church at Prattsburg;
December 17, Rev. Robert N. Watkins over the Church at Casaseraga;
May 1, 1913, Rev. Thomas Melvin over the Church at Belmont;
June 17, Rev. Frank E. Hoyt over the Church at Arkport.

Ministers dismissed:

April 22, 1913, Rev. Thomas C. Bell to the Presbytery of Lyons; Rev. Alfred F. Pratt to the Presbytery of Genesee.

Miscellaneous:

September 16, 1913, Rev. George M. Janes was placed upon the Honorary Roll.

XXVII. **The Presbytery of Syracuse** consists of forty-two ministers, forty-four churches and has under its care five candidates.

Ministers received:

December 9, 1912, Rev. Cassius J. Sargent from the Presbytery of Cayuga;
September 16, 1913, Rev. John R. Woodcock from the Presbytery of Huntingdon;
October 3, Rev. A. N. Wylie from the Presbytery of Brazos of the Presbyterian Church of the United States; Rev. Charles J. Howell from the Presbytery of Cayuga; Rev. Alfred T. Vail from the Presbytery of Chemung; Rev. John M. MacInnis from the Presbytery of Halifax of the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

Candidates taken under care of Presbytery:

November 6, 1912, Gustavo E. Archilla from the Presbytery of Rochester;
September 15, 1913, J. Henry Carpenter;
October 14, Vincent Bell.

Candidate licensed:

April 15, 1913, Frank P. McKenzie.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

December 9, 1912, between Rev. John A. Rodger and the Church of Skaneateles;
January 13, 1913, between Rev. Claude Porter Terry and the East Genesee Church of Syracuse.

Installations:

November 2, 1912, Rev. Cassius J. Sargent over the Church of Liverpool;
October 3, 1913, Rev. John M. Mac Innis over the South Church of Syracuse;
October 14, Rev. John R. Woodcock over the East Genesee Church of Syracuse.

Ministers dismissed:

January 13, 1913, Rev. Claude Porter Terry to the Presbytery of Chicago;
April 14, Rev. J. Van Kirk Wells to the Presbytery of Genesee;
September 15, Rev. B. Van Vliet Putnam to the Presbytery of Utica.

Minister deceased:

Rev. John A. Rodger.

XXVIII. **The Presbytery of Troy** consists of thirty-three ministers, thirty-nine churches and has under its care two candidates.

Ministers dismissed:

November 25, 1912, Rev. Lewis S. Chafer to the Orange Presbytery of North Carolina;
December 31, Rev. J. Milton Thompson, D.D., to the Presbytery of Nassau;
January 6, 1913, Rev. Harry E. Coombs to the Presbytery of Albany;
July 22, Rev. Henry Hansman to the Presbytery of Otsego;
September 15, Rev. Daniel H. Martin, D.D., to the Presbytery of New York.

Candidates taken under care of Presbytery:

April 21, 1913, Sirag K. Emurian;
July 22, George H. Walker.

Candidates licensed:

July 22, 1913, Sirag K. Emurian;
October 7, Agostino Mangiacapra.

Ordination:

April 21, 1913, Agostino Mangiacapra.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

October 10, 1912, between Rev. William S. Ewell and the Church at Hoosick Falls;
January 6, 1913, between Rev. Harry E. Coombs and the Church at Brunswick;
January 19, between Rev. J. Milton Thompson, D.D. and the Ninth Presbyterian Church of Troy;
April 27, between Rev. David C. Davies and the Church at Mechanicsville;
August 31, between Rev. Henry Hansman and the Church at Schaghticoke;
September 15, between Rev. Daniel H. Martin, D.D., and the Church at Glens Falls;
October 5, between Rev. Charles E. MacGinness, Ph.D., and the Church at Whitehall.

XXIX. **The Presbytery of Utica** consists of forty-eight ministers, forty-four churches and has under its care one local evangelist and five candidates.

Ministers received:

October 1, 1912, Rev. John W. Dennis from the Presbytery of Albany;

April 30, 1913, Rev. Sherman W. Haven from the Suffolk Congregational Association;

September 30, Rev. B. Van Vliet Putnam from the Presbytery of Syracuse; Rev. Edward I. Campbell from the Presbytery of North River; Rev. William H. Leach from the Black River and St. Lawrence Association.

Candidate taken under Care:

October 1, 1912, Charles A. Hawley.

Licentiates received:

May 21, 1913, Edward W. Robinson from Cayuga Presbytery.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

October 13, 1912, between Rev. Elmer J. Stuart and Oneida Castle Church;

December 2, between Rev. Godfrey Chobot and Whitesboro Church;

February 28, 1913, between Rev. J. Canfield Van Doren and the Waterville Church;

May 1, between Rev. Charles F. Kittredge and Lyons Falls Church; between Rev. C. Otis Thatcher and the Martinsburg and Glenfield Churches;

May 4, between Rev. Oliver A. Kingsbury and the New Hartford Church.

Ordinations:

October 25, 1912, Julius Prochman.

July 11, 1913, Edward W. Robinson.

Installations:

October 18, 1912, Rev. John W. Dennis over the Church at Verona;

May 21, 1913, Rev. Charles F. Kittredge over the Church at Whitesboro;

July 11, Rev. Edward W. Robinson over the Church at Lyons Falls.

Ministers dismissed:

October 1, 1912, Rev. Paul R. Abbott to the Presbytery of Shantung;

December 2, Rev. Godfrey Chobot to the Presbytery of Niagara;

April 15, 1913, Rev. Frank W. Townsend to the Presbytery of Otsego; Rev. Richard H. Hughes to the Presbytery of Newton;

May 21, Rev. Charles J. Howell to the Presbytery of Cayuga;

July 11, Rev. C. Otis Thatcher to the Presbytery of Albany.

Ministers deceased:

June 28, 1913, Rev. David Street

Rev. Oliver A. Kingsbury resigned Stated Clerkship April 15, 1913. Rev Henry White was at that time made his successor.

Miscellaneous:

September 30, 1913, Rev. Irving W. Street, demitted the ministry.

XXX. **The Presbytery of Westchester** consists of sixty-two ministers, thirty-four churches, and has under its care two local evangelists, five licentiates, and six candidates.

Ministers received:

December 20, 1912, Rev. Harry B. Roberts from the Presbytery of Brooklyn;
January 21, 1913, Rev. John Lee Maddox from the Moose River Association of Congregational Churches of North Dakota, and the Rev. George Reynolds, D.D., from the Presbytery of Kansas City;
June 17, Rev. Thomas Morgan from the Presbytery of Newark.

Candidates taken under the care of Presbytery:

October 7, 1913, Charles Lapp and Eugene Meray.

Licentiates received:

October 8, 1912, Lester H. Bent from the Cleveland Association of Congregational Ministers and Churches.

Candidates licensed:

April 22, 1913, Jay Knox, Ludwig K. Leith and Rino Venturini;
October 7, William L. Duncan.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

March 31, 1913, between Rev. George H. Smyth and the Pleasantville Church;
October 7, between the Rev. Ira W. Barnett and the Port Chester Church, and Rev. Alfred Ray Atwood and the Patterson Church;
October 31, between Rev. Douglas Putnam Birnie and the Rye Church.

Ordination:

April 28, 1913, Jay Knox.

Installations:

December 20, 1912, Rev. Harry B. Roberts over the Yorktown Church;
March 25, 1913, Rev. George Reynolds, D.D., over the New Rochelle Church;
May 9, Rev. George H. Smyth over the Hitchcock Memorial Church of Scarsdale, N. Y.;
June 27, Rev. Thomas Morgan over the Pleasantville Church.

Ministers dismissed:

April 28, 1913, Rev. Henry H. Barstow to the Presbytery of Rochester;
June 17, Rev. Jay Knox to the Presbytery of Morris and Orange;
October 7, Rev. Ira W. Barnett to the Presbytery of Logansport and Rev. Alfred Ray Atwood to the Presbytery of Lansing;
October 31, Rev. Douglas Putnam Birnie to the Presbytery of Washington City.

Candidates transferred:

December 20, 1912, Rosmand M. McDonald to the Presbytery of Minot;
January 21, 1913, Umberto Berardelli to the Presbytery of New York of the United Presbyterian Church;
October 6, Nicola Caterino to the Presbytery of Lehigh.

Churches enrolled:

January 19, 1913, the Hitchcock Memorial Church of Scarsdale.

Ministers deceased:

January 11, 1913, at Yonkers, N. Y., Rev. George N. McDonald, aged 72 years;

April 4, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. Wilson Phraner, D. D., aged 90 years;

July 21, at Elizabeth, N. J., Rev. Daniel N. Freeland, aged 88 years.

SUMMARY

Ministers	1207	Licentiates and Local Evangelists	56
Churches	924	Candidates	121

II. CHANGES IN PRESBYTERIES

Buffalo: Elder N. P. Clement, Treasurer.

Champlain: Elder Charles M. Hopkins, Treasurer.

Niagara: Rev. Peter Birrell, Stated Clerk.

Otsego: Rev. W. August George, Stated Clerk.

Utica: Rev. Henry White, Stated Clerk.

III. WOMEN'S COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS

Presbytery of Albany—Mrs. Henry T. McEwen, Mrs. Lucy C. Lester, Mrs. Isaac V. W. Grant, Mrs. William J. Milne, Mrs. A. R. Olney, Miss Mary Greene, Mrs. E. C. Lawrence, Mrs. A. S. Brandow.

Binghamton—Mrs. Howard Elmer, Mrs. J. J. Lawrence, Mrs. H. A. Clark, Mrs. Laura Fish, Mrs. Walter Crombie.

Brooklyn—Mrs. G. E. Hasbrouck, Mrs. W. W. Hayden, Miss Ellen O. Wakely.

Buffalo—Mrs. John C. Bryant, Mrs. Fred K. Eaton, Mrs. Louis M. Kimball, Mrs. William H. Walker, Miss Kate E. Putnam, Mrs. Charles H. Seymour, Mrs. Sidney McDougall.

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Genesee—Mrs. O. L. C. Arnold, Mrs. W. E. Prentice.

Geneva—Mrs. Anna Herendeen, Mrs. Thompson C. Maxwell, Mrs. Benjamin F. Pritchard, Mrs. Charles Lester.

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Nassau—Mrs. John H. Prall, Mrs. Theodore D. Smith, Miss Amelia Blydenburgh.

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Niagara—Mrs. Claudius L. Hoag, Mrs. Robert Norton.

North River—Mrs. Morgan Carpenter, Mrs. LeRoy C. Cooley, Mrs. Frederic E. Stockwell.

Otsego—Mrs. W. D. Jones, Mrs. W. H. Wilson, Mrs. W. H. Watkins, Mrs. C. A. Hovey.

Rochester—Mrs. Edward Bristol, Mrs. Julia M. Davis, Mrs. E. A. Webster, Miss A. C. Barton, Mrs. E. D. Chapin, Mrs. Bertram L. Search, Mrs. H. M. Gilt.

St. Lawrence—Mrs. H. L. Smith, Mrs. J. P. Bonney, Mrs. D. A. Ferguson, Mrs. Rufus L. Sisson.

Steuben—Mrs. Stanley C. Swift, Mrs. Russell M. Tuttle, Mrs. Francis A. Williams.

Syracuse—Mrs. Irving G. Vann, Mrs. Donald Dey, Mrs. Orson L. White, Mrs. James O. Bennett, Mrs. Lucius M. Kinne.

Troy—Mrs. William V. Baker, Mrs. Edward N. Dauchy, Miss Lucy H. Sherman, Mrs. Robert B. Stiles, Mrs. C. L. Wells, Mrs. William E. Marden, Miss May A. Philip, Mrs. Lewis W. Raymond, Mrs. H. J. McCune.

Utica—Mrs. J. C. Greenman, Mrs. H. H. Allen, Miss Isabel M. Terrett.

Westchester—Mrs. A. F. Avery, Mrs. George Sypher, Miss M. C. Foster, Mrs. A. C. McMillan, Mrs. Dwight Holbrook, Miss Annie M. Sageman.

IV. TRUSTEES OF SYNOD

President—Rev. Charles S. Lane.

Secretary—John T. D. Blackburn.

Treasurer—Edwin T. Hanford.

Terms expiring in 1914: Rev. Anthony H. Evans, D.D., Rev. Arthur C. McMillan, Edwin T. Hanford, Sanford R. Knapp.

Terms expiring in 1915: Rev. John F. Carson, D.D., Rev. Francis S. Haines, William Thompson, Clarence G. Seward.

Terms expiring in 1916: Rev. David G. Wylie, D.D., Rev. A. Cameron Mac Kenzie, D.D., Rush Taggart, R. E. Wilcox.

Ex-officio: Rev. E. Van Dyke Wight, D.D., Rev. J. Wilford Jacks, D.D., Rev. Daniel A. Ferguson, D.D., John T. D. Blackburn.

By action of Synod, the Trustees are authorized and empowered to take and receive on behalf of the Synod of New York, and in its name, for religious, educational, benevolent or charitable purposes, such gifts, devises, bequests, grants or conveyances of real or personal estate, as in their judgment shall be proper, and to make such applications and provisions as in their discretion they may deem advisable, for the purpose of carrying out and performing the trusts upon which such gifts, devises, bequests, grants or conveyances may be received.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I give and bequeath to the Synod of New York (of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America) incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, the sum of dollars, to be held or expended by the trustees of said Synod, in conformity with the provisions of said Laws, and the By-laws of said Synod.

V. SUCCESSION OF MODERATORS

	Name	Presbytery	Place
1882.	*Henry A. Nelson, D.D., *Convener*	Geneva	Utica
1882.	*Howard Crosby, D.D.	New York	Utica
1883.	James McLeod, D.D.	Buffalo	New York
1884.	*John McC. Holmes, D.D.	Albany	Buffalo
1885.	*L. Merrill Miller, D.D.	St. Lawrence	Troy
1886.	*Joseph E. Nassau, D.D.	Genesee	Elmira
1887.	*Charles C. Wallace, D.D.	Boston	Auburn
1888.	*T. Ralston Smith, D.D.	Buffalo	Syracuse
1889.	*Samuel Jessup, D.D.	Utica	Poughkeepsie
1890.	Andrew V. V. Raymond, D.D.	Albany	Lockport
1891.	Asa S. Fiske, D.D.	Cayuga	Watertown
1892.	*Levi Parsons, D.D.	Rochester	Albany
1893.	*James Gardner, D.D.	Albany	Rochester
1894.	George C. Yeisley, D.D.	Columbia	New York
1895.	Howard Duffield, D.D.	New York	Binghamton
1896.	Ralph E. Prime, LL.D. (Elder)	Westchester	Brooklyn
1897.	*Joseph Gamble, D.D.	Champlain	Utica
1898.	A. Cameron MacKenzie, D.D.	Binghamton	Elmira
1899.	James H. Robinson, D.D.	Otsego	Troy
1900.	David G. Wylie, D.D.	New York	Geneva
1901.	William Waith, Ph.D.	Buffalo	Buffalo
1902.	*William K. Hall, D.D.	North River	Albany
1903.	*William M. Johnson, D.D.	Troy	Ithaca
1904.	Dana W. Bigelow, D.D.	Utica	Middletown
1905.	Isaac Jennings, D.D.	Chemung	Syracuse

*Deceased.

1906.	Anthony H. Evans, D.D.	New York	Lockport
1907.	*Samuel W. Pratt, D.D.	Steuben	Brooklyn
1908.	John F. Carson, D.D.	Brooklyn	Kingston
1909.	*Willis J. Beecher, D.D.	Cayuga	Johnstown
1910.	James Robertson	St. Lawrence	Rochester
1911.	Martin D. Kneeland, D.D.	Boston	Auburn
1912.	Henry Ward, D.D.	Buffalo	Gouverneur
1913.	E. Van Dyke Wight, D.D.	Hudson	Auburn

VI. STANDING RULES

I

The annual meetings of Synod shall begin on the third Tuesday of October at half past seven o'clock, P. M. The officers of Synod shall be a Moderator to be chosen at the beginning of each annual meeting; a Stated Clerk, a Permanent Clerk, and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be chosen for a term of five years, and such Temporary Clerks as shall be chosen at each annual meeting. In case of vacancy in the office of Stated Clerk, Permanent Clerk or Treasurer, which shall occur by reason of resignation, death, removal from the bounds of Synod, or from membership of the Presbytery or Church in the Synod, the Moderator, or if he be inaccessible, the last elected Moderator shall appoint, *ad interim*, a minister or elder to the vacant office, who shall hold the same until Synod shall fill the office. In case any officer of Synod shall by sickness, absence, or otherwise, be incapacitated from performance of the duties of his office, a minister or elder shall, in like manner, be appointed to perform the duties of the office until the incapacity shall end or until Synod shall take action.

II

The Moderator and the Stated and Permanent Clerks shall be a standing Committee to report, from year to year, on the place of the next meeting, which shall be designated prior to the adjournment, and a Committee of Arrangements shall be appointed, who shall provide suitable accommodations for the Synod and entertainment for its members, recommend the limits of the daily sessions, and propose arrangements for popular meetings.

The Stated Clerk of the Synod shall be a member of the Committee of Arrangements for every meeting of Synod. The first order of business, on the second day of the meeting of Synod, after the appointment of Committees, shall be the hearing of and action upon reports of officers of Synod and of special Committees appointed at previous meetings of Synod.

III

The morning sessions of the Synod shall be opened with devotional services to be continued not less than half an hour.

IV

Each Presbytery shall, at its stated meeting next preceding the meeting of the Synod, and if possible, not later than two weeks before such meeting, elect the number of delegates to which it is entitled, together with an equal number of alternates as prescribed by the organic rule under which the Synod is constituted, namely:

"The Synod of New York shall be composed of equal delegations of Ministers and Ruling Elders from the several Presbyteries in the following proportion: Each Presbytery, the number of whose ministers and Churches added together is not more than twenty, shall send one Minister and one Elder and so in like proportion for every twenty Ministers and Churches added together, or for any remaining fraction thereof, not less than one-half: Provided that no Presbytery shall be entitled to send more than ten Ministers and ten Elders."

V

The Stated Clerk of each Presbytery, immediately after the election, shall send to the Stated Clerk of the Synod a certified list of the delegates and alternate delegates chosen by the Presbytery to represent it at the Synod. When alternate delegates appear in place of their principals, such delegates shall report in person to the Clerks of the Synod before their names shall be substituted upon the roll.

Duplicate lists of delegates and alternates shall be sent promptly by the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries to the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements.

VI

The Stated and Permanent Clerks shall have the privileges of the floor and the chairman of the committees, appointed at a previous session to report to the Synod, shall be entitled to participate in debate when their reports are under consideration.

Ministers of other Synods, and of bodies in correspondence with the General Assembly, may be elected corresponding members, and the members nominating them shall report immediately to the Stated Clerk, in writing, the names of such ministers in full, their Synodical or equivalent ecclesiastical relations and their post office addresses.

VII

In case of the failure of the Moderator, the Annual Meeting shall be opened with a sermon by a minister of the Synod designated by the committee of Arrangements.

VIII

A complete roll of the Ministers and Churches of each Presbytery, and a Statistical Report and History of its Acts and Changes for the year preceding, as required by the form of Government, Chap. X, Sec. 9, shall be sent by its

Stated Clerk to the Stated Clerk of the Synod, as soon as practicable after the Fall Stated Meeting of the Presbytery; and the statistical reports shall be printed in the Appendix to the minutes.

IX

The following Standing Committees shall be appointed by the Moderator at every annual meeting:

1. Bills and Overtures.
2. Judicial Business.
3. Minutes of General Assembly.
4. Finance.
5. Leave of Absence.
6. To nominate Woman's Synodical Committee on Home Missions.
7. To nominate Trustees of the Synod.
8. On the Records of the several Presbyteries.
9. To collate the Reports on Presbyterial Records.
10. In every year of even numbers a Committee to nominate the Permanent Committees for the ensuing two years, as follows: I. Religious Education. II. Home Missions. III. Foreign Missions. IV. Education. V. Church Erection. VI. Ministerial Relief. VII. Missions to Freedmen. VIII. Aid for Colleges. IX. Sabbath Observance. X. Temperance. Such permanent committees to consist of each four ministers and three ruling elders.

X

In all cases not otherwise provided for by its own regulations, the Synod shall be governed in its proceedings by the General rules of Judicatories appended to the Form of Government, as amended by the General Assembly.

XI

All papers intended for the Synod or its Committees shall be delivered to the Stated Clerk, and reported by him before being referred.

XII

The Stated Clerk shall have authority to print in the minutes, abstracts of extended reports, excepting those portions which contain resolutions or recommendations adopted by the Synod.

XIII

To provide for the necessary expenses of the Synod, the several Presbyteries shall furnish, annually, amounts proportioned to the number of their communicants, according to a rate per capita determined at the previous meetings of the Synod. And if no action has been taken the rate shall be seven mills for each communicant.

These sums shall be due and payable to the Treasurer on the first of October, when the Synod's fiscal year shall terminate.

XIV

The Treasurer shall be authorized to pay the salaries and the traveling expenses of the Stated and Permanent Clerks in attending the sessions of the Synod; and all charges incurred under the standing orders or special resolutions of the Synod, upon the certificate of the Stated Clerk. His accounts and vouchers shall be presented at the annual meeting, and shall be audited by the Committee on Finance.

XV

Vacancies occurring between the annual sessions of the Synod in any of its committees may be filled *ad interim* by the Moderator.

XVI

An Executive Commission shall be appointed of which the Moderator of the Synod shall be chairman ex-officio, one minister and one elder shall be appointed annually hereafter to serve for three years. The work of this Commission shall be along the lines of the Executive Commission of the General Assembly, as far as applicable to the work of our Synod.

XVII

The Minutes of the Synod shall be printed, under the direction of the Stated Clerk, as soon as practicable after the adjournment; and a copy shall be sent to every minister, to every elder, and to the Session of each vacant church, within the bounds, severally, of those Presbyteries whose apportionments for Synodical expenses have been paid.

XVIII

(1) All committees of Synod shall report in writing, and all reports of permanent Committees and of Special Committees appointed at one meeting of Synod, to report at a later meeting, shall be placed in the hands of the Stated Clerk, at least twenty days before the annual meeting of Synod; such reports shall be printed by the Stated Clerk in a Blue Book, to be ready at the place of meeting six hours before the meeting, and distributed to the delegates as they enroll; such reports shall not be read on the Floor of Synod unless ordered by Synod and shall be abstracted and not printed in full in the minutes; the action of Synod thereon to be printed and such abstracts therefrom as may be necessary to show the action of Synod.

(2) The Committee on Synodical Missions shall print its own report as Part II of the Blue Book and have the same in the hands of the Stated Clerk for distribution at the time and manner above provided as to the Blue Book.

XIX

Each delegate to Synod shall before the opening meeting of Synod present his credentials to the clerks, which, being found in order, he shall be enrolled. The clerks of Synod shall be the Committee on Credentials and shall report the roll for adoption at the opening and organization of Synod.

The clerks shall furnish to each delegate on his enrollment a uniform card to be filled up by him and delivered to the clerks, which shall state his name, name of his Presbytery, the day of his enrollment and such other information as to the clerks may be convenient. Such cards shall constitute a duplicate roll for use of the clerks and of Synod.

The roll shall not be called during meetings of Synod, except only the final roll call, unless Synod shall otherwise direct.

VII. NECROLOGY

Twenty-nine deaths among the ministers of this Synod have been reported during the past ecclesiastical year. Special mention has been hitherto made of the well known and beloved Rev. Wilson Phraner, D.D., Rev. Augustus W. Cowles, D.D., and Rev. William H. Hubbard, D.D., men well and favorably known all over our State. Added to these are those veterans of the Cross, Rev. Messrs. William H. Sawtelle, Alexander W. Sproull, D.D., Corliss B. Gardner, D.D., Henry A. Harlow, Henry G. Margetts, Newton J. Conklin, Leander T. Chamberlain, D.D., Edward P. Marivn, Robert H. Craig, Ph.D., George N. McDonald, Julius Straus, Jesse F. Shafer, many of whom were past four score years. Many comparatively young men have early completed their earthly work: Rev. Messrs. H. Roswell Bates, John W. Still, Charles H. Scholey, Frederic F. Suits, Randall Pease, John A. Rodger.

Others still, retired from active service for a time, have entered into eternal rest, Rev. Messrs. Benjamin G. Benedict, James J. McMahon, Henry L. Teller, Conrad D' Oench, Emerson G. Wicks, David Street, Daniel L. Freeland, J. Clinton Worden.

The fact that so large a number are falling from our ranks annually should impel us to renewed diligence in the Master's service, for the period of labor is brief.

VIII. CHAIRMEN OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

1. Arrangements—Rev. E. Van Dyke Wight, D.D.
2. Place of meeting in 1915—Rev. E. Van Dyke Wight, D.D.
3. Divorce and Remarriage—Elder Ralph E. Prime, LL.D.
4. Presbyterian Brotherhood—Rev. Carl M. Scovel.
5. Students in Non-Presbyterian Institutions—Rev. George B. Stewart, D.D

IX. PERMANENT COMMITTEES

I. Religious Education: *Ministers*—Frank B. Cowan, Asher B. Temple, William F. Skinner, J. Scott King; *Elders*—David Dempsey, Augustus Denniston, George B. Massey.

II. Home Missions: *Ministers*—Charles G. Ellis, James A. McWilliams, Horace T. Chadsey, Murray H. Gardner; *Elders*—John A. Murray, Henry Cole Smith, William B. Hills, D.D.S.

III. Foreign Missions: *Ministers*—Charles McKenzie, William H. Sybrandt, William H. Hopkins, William C. Spicer; *Elders*—John T. D. Blackburn, James W. McMartin, Paul Cook.

IV. Church Erection: *Ministers*—Frank M. Kerr, Samuel H. Seem, Charles E. Craven, George H. Feltus; *Elders*—J. Carl Schmuck, John H. Prall, Edwin W. Rowley.

V. Education: *Ministers*—R. Lew Williams, Gerard B. F. Hallock, George W. Warren, Theodore M. Carlisle; *Elders*—E. B. Russell, J. C. Fisher, A. P. Storrs.

VI. Ministerial Relief: *Elders*—Charles S. Butler, Edward W. Ibbotson, Edgar C. Leonard and Robert Cluett; *Ministers*—George C. Yeisley, Christopher G. Hazard, Henry A. Porter.

VII. Freedmen: *Ministers*—E. Van Dyke Wight, Clarence W. Dunham, John R. Mackay, William A. Byrd; *Elders*—LeRoy C. Cooley, V. A. D. Reed, Benjamin P. Wayne.

VIII. College Aid: *Ministers*—Jno. C. Ball, Frederick W. Palmer, Allen Macy Dulles, A. Cameron MacKenzie; *Elders*—Rathbun J. Hunt, C. C. Swan, H. N. Daggett.

X. THE SYNOD

	Presb's	Ministers	Licent's.	Loc. Evan.	Candidates	Churches	Elders	Deacons	Added on Ex.	Added on Cer.	Restored	Dismissed	Surp. Roll	Deceased	Net Total	Bap. Conf.	Bap. Infants
Synod of New York	30	1238	24	45	108	927	4583	1657	11328	6958	743	5748	5493	2694	207589	4137	5827
1. Albany		70			1	49	248	100	481	438	26	271	268	165	10,809	171	228
2. Binghamton		38	1		2	32	159	62	297	287	9	177	167	99	6622	179	68
3. Brooklyn		95	2		16	48	308	241	1210	552	76	670	884	279	20,348	159	723
4. Buffalo		65	2		5	56	338	92	834	549	53	361	728	133	13,185	259	331
5. Cayuga		40	2		8	22	128	37	199	151	7	135	46	76	5088	94	70
6. Champlain		17				21	66	15	116	45		53	10	37	2162	68	40
7. Chemung		22			2	21	90	19	241	114	12	95	140	49	3229	113	56
8. Chile		19	1	17	3	15	45	22	72	29	3	36	51	21	880	51	83
9. Columbia		21			1	17	56	7	65	37		39	103	40	1693	34	36
10. Eastern Persia		13				4	4	2	19					1	177	7	12
11. Genesee		22			1	18	94	20	179	76	17	47	90	46	3691	120	48
12. Geneva		27			2	20	122	57	176	132	14	125	85	80	5438	84	76
13. Hudson		49			1	47	193	30	329	204	8	160	142	96	7447	100	233
14. Long Island		30	2		1	23	112	17	136	49	3	61	65	54	4050	49	32
15. Lyons		20				19	103	17	194	104	1	59	105	61	3521	87	83
16. Nassau		29			1	30	125	63	272	168	13	147	93	56	4199	49	187
17. New York		199	2		15	61	442	334	1894	1435	98	1092	820	313	33,249	224	1018
18. Niagara		23	1			24	123	17	199	174	8	124	187	77	4217	70	154
19. North Laos		17	1		10	23	127	41	1044	190	28	267	47	70	5218	884	748
20. North River		45			3	30	147	50	266	125	42	129	77	85	6032	99	113
21. Otsego		33			1	31	119	36	170	72	21	116	76	64	3701	75	54
22. Porto Rico		14	2	15	17	30	65	27	165	80	8	100	183	28	2561	144	58
23. Rochester		65			3	51	283	40	544	626	23	383	222	153	14,832	167	331
24. St. Lawrence		34			1	35	154	23	210	113	65	112	168	83	5289	88	107
25. Siam		14	2	10		13	21	4	138	36	7	38	28	13	868	101	39
26. Steuben		28				26	121	23	297	175	11	130	137	70	4639	136	55
27. Syracuse		39	1		3	44	216	72	484	309	142	207	309	123	8058	195	235
28. Troy		35		1	2	39	189	78	278	169	15	188	38	101	8512	107	144
29. Utica		49	1		6	44	208	33	412	201	20	196	127	120	8989	144	137
30. Westchester		66	4	2	3	34	177	78	407	315	13	230	97	101	8885	79	328

IX. Temperance: *Ministers*—Jay T. Badgeley, William W. Weller, Edwin H. Dickinson, John W. Ross; *Elders*—Lewis D. Collins, H. Osgood Holland, J. B. Scoville.

X. Lord's Day Observance: *Ministers*—William S. Hubbell, John F. Carson, William P. Stevenson, Arthur Newman; *Elders*—Henry W. Jessup, George W. Banks, Winthrop S. Gilman.

XI. Executive Commission: *Ministers*—E. Van Dyke Wight, Allan Macy Dulles, David G. Wylie, Geo. B. Stewart; *Elders*—William McCarrell, Rush Taggart, Edmund P. Platt.

XII. Synodical Missions: *Elders*—G. P. Conard, DeWitt C. Hurd, E. P. Platt, Rufus L. Sisson, E. C. Leonard, W. S. Bennett; *Ministers*—Henry T. McEwen, James H. Robinson, Charles G. Ellis, George S. Webster, V. N. Yergin, George Fairlee.

OF NEW YORK

S. S. Mem.	Home Miss.	Foreign Miss.	Education	Sab. Sch. Work	Church Erection	Relief Sust.	Freedmen	Colleges	Temperance	General Assembly	Congregational	Miscellaneous
165,058	501,006	308,511	16,150	25,641	17,051	42,742	31,197	29,753	10,516	24,674.20	3,112,087	812,948
8990	14,621	14,633	873	1106	552	1221	812	883	421	1,266.36	162,122	9044
5466	8344	4258	426	946	369	922	685	611	474	638.92	71,907	2654
19,301	49,750	25,133	1984	2100	1330	2713	2644	922	1183	2,339.00	337,645	33,455
10,974	48,988	28,209	880	1562	1264	3116	3648	9837	592	1,906.75	240,103	47,441
4167	6118	6664	569	559	376	1311	1230	542	616	523.73	60,704	3923
1843	2301	2398	80	239	80	243	389	56	55	345.09	29,130	214
2284	1889	2145	145	319	132	482	274	141	124	336.05	34,262	3262
2048	3	7	40	40	15	40				50.04	6430	56
1137	1806	1391	497	242	255	274	430	111	97	194.70	22,999	2715
30		14									493	36
3123	2907	3174	201	726	191	680	630	191	306	442.31	34,977	702
4108	6299	4975	965	918	334	918	1189	549	334	592.57	61,660	17,535
4821	7143	4428	442	1029	376	795	853	571	177	1,118.97	116,627	1581
2904	4161	3628	262	772	278	1075	738	219	430	488.54	50,601	1227
2813	2416	1744	103	380	94	498	372	115	279	425.66	48,056	345
3913	4141	2661	278	726	199	1052	704	221	333	664.54	76,742	1689
21,900	245,878	126,855	3090	5653	7384	13,450	4038	10,978	840	4,592.00	749,463	490,765
4404	4133	3391	169	563	161	425	703	161	108	514.81	55,367	1230
4935	847		1202								1371	
3848	6806	4482	234	970	287	498	985	267	322	831.95	72,790	2028
2653	2403	1449	190	476	188	393	404	116	132	374.04	42,695	524
2216	230	66	26	6	19	6	5	12	1	224.70	3551	99
12,798	18,149	21,827	1015	1065	515	1296	3885	678	1415	1,789.14	199,123	135,113
4646	7763	3781	366	492	203	368	653	220	228	556.11	62,060	1833
401		279									1382	814
3387	2730	2768	147	369	124	692	488	147	83	444.30	43,977	1449
7176	10,181	7183	429	608	296	4509	691	300	249	865.82	121,993	2123
5283	11,595	9043	535	924	593	1751	1949	647	258	1,022.36	117,225	5723
6840	11,503	10,226	407	1113	409	1234	897	484	281	870.60	118,454	19,777
6649	17,901	11,699	595	1738	1027	2780	1901	774	1178	1,255.14	168,178	25,591

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